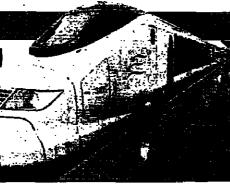
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Monopolies inquiry on tour firms

JOANNA BALE AND PAUL DURMAN

THOMSON and Airtours, Britain's largest holiday companies, were yesterday referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission as part of an investigation of the entire travel industry that could initiate a

wide-ranging shake-up.

The investigation will focus on "vertical integration" -- the owning by a few giant companies of their own tour operators, travel agencies and airlines. Thomson owns the Lunn Poly chain of high street travel agents and the charter airline Britannia, and Airtours owns the travel agents Going Places and

to the investigation are whether agents sell their own holidays in preference to those of other operators or use their dominance of the package-holiday industry to control supply and fix prices.

Thomson owns 700 Lunn Poly stores and controls 20 per cent of the £7 billion overseas market. Airtours has a £1.5 billion annual turnover and takes 2.5 million holidaymakers abroad each year. Thomas Cook sells more than four million holidays from 385 high street outlets.

John Bridgeman, the Director-General of Fair Trading, said he had decided to refer the companies to the MMC after failing to secure undertakings from Thomson and Airtours. Among the concerns of the Airtours to operate with greater

openness and ensure that their customers knew of the links between the firms within their groups. He was also concerned about reports that vertically integrated trav-el agents threatened to remove from display the brochures of smaller independent tour operators unless they agreed to pay high commissions.

If the MMC were to find that leading companies had abused their market power, there are in theory few limits to the changes it could recommend. A commission spokes-man said: "There's no limit to what we can recommend. Our recommendations can be as wide as we think necessary." The Department of Trade and Industry, which will be reponsible for acting on the commission's findings, also has few restraints on its powers.

The most extreme option would be to require the holiday companies to sell their travel agents. More likely would be some form of control over the nature of the relationship between the operators and their subsidiaries. These could be backed up by measures to allow smaller holiday firms to gain better access to the leading chains.

The brewing industry provides one of the closest parallels to the allegations faced by the travel industry. In the late 1980s the MMC found that big brewers operated a complex monopoly, allowing them to restrict competition by preventing their tied pubs from selling beers that they did not brew. The MMC recommended that the unitional brewers should be ordered to sell-34,000 of their pubs. Although watered down under

industry pressure, the "Beer Orders" that resulted played a key role in the reshaping of the drinks industry over the past seven years. Grand Metropolitan, once one of the largest brewers, sold off its beer and pub interests, while several smaller companies, such as Greenalis, decided to concentrate on

Yesterday Sue Ockwell, chief executive of the Association of Independent Tour Operators, said: The big companies have a stranglehold on smaller companies - they demand 19 per cent commission from smaller companies to display

their brachures, but only 10 per cent from their in house companies. This cost is pessed on to the customer, which makes independents seem expensive. Customers do not realise

this when they walk into a shop."
Last night, Thomson, Airtours,
Thomas Cook and AT Mays defended their position, claiming that the consumer gained from cheaper deals. David Crossland, chairman of Airbours, said: The consumer has beactived from big players like us being able to keep the cost of holidays down by buying aircraft, hotels and cruise ships. This move by the OFT has not come form stomers complaining about

Martin Brackenbury, a director of Continued on page 2, col 5

A BRITISH Embassy account-

ant stole hundreds of thou-sands of pounds by claiming

the pensions of dead diplomat-

MPs learnt yesterday how

Elias Zureik, a Jordanian who

had worked at the Amman

embassy for 21 years, set up an

elaborate fraud to claim the

pensions of former British

staff based in Jordan. When

the pensioners died he pocket-

money by writing to the Overseas Pensions Depart-

ment, based in East Kilbride,

pretending to be a pensioner and asking for payments to be made to a new post office box

This went on until last year.

the Foreign Office, the Minis-

try of Defence and the Over-

Administration is highlighted

by the National Audit Office.

The fraud succeeded because there is no formal

seas Department

In 1988 he was forced to resign for forging a signature. Yet he continued to pilfer

ic and military staff.

ed the cash.



same travel company

system of death certificates in

Jordan. In three cases, pen-sions were paid for people born in 1897, 1900 and 1903.

Sir John Bourn, the Comp-

troller and Auditor-General.

was particularly alarmed that

the Foreign Office had allowed

a system whereby one man

controlled both the entitlement

to pensions and their pay-

ment. But as soon as the fraud was exposed, tighter proce-dures were introduced for all

embassies and high commis-

sions. Pensioners must appear

Embassy every year.

person at the Amman

Mr Zureik was arrested by

the Royal Jordanian Police in September 1995 and appeared in court in February on fraud charges. He was bailed for

trial but a hearing last week again delayed his trial. The

the civil courts to try to recover

The Foreign Office and the ODA decided it was not practical to prosecute him in

Britain because there is no

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By VALERIE ELLIOTT, WHITEHALL EDITOR

Babies seized as hostages in Zaire war

BRITAIN refused yesterday to entertain a French plan for a military expedition to northern Zaire and Rwanda where fighting between Tutsis and Hutus is threatening to become a humanitarian disaster. The Prime Minister is to discuss the crisis with President Chirac today, but he indicated last night that

Britain will limit its offer of help to aid. As Sam Kiley explains from the front line in Zaire today an intervention force would protect Hutu extremists who are using thousands of abducted Zaireans, including children and babies, as human shields in containing more than 500,000 people.

'They took my son and cut me with their machetes'

HUNDREDS of Zairean children are being kidnapped to deter the advance of rebel Tutsis and their Rwandan allies, it emerged yesterday.

The children, many of them toddlers, are being held with thousands of Zairean civil-ians, herded into the teeming and disease-ridden Mugunga camp of 500,000 people by Hutu militiamen.

In Keshero, a mile from Mugunga, scores of villagers who had lost their children, huddled into a former school compound. Evonist Nkundive, the director of the school. estimated that at least a hundred children had been taken hostage over the past week. "Every other village around here has the same story to tell," he said.

Next to him Dominique Ruhondoka, a tall grey-haired man of 70, quietly wept, "My grandson is missing, they've taken him." In 1994 when the Hutu militia murdered a million Tutsis and Hutu moderates at a rate of 37,500 a day, an Italian priest who escaped the slaughter said he feared "ail the devils in Hell have



The Hutu militia have adopted a more sinister tactic in their fight against rebel Tutsis, Sam Kiley reports from Keshero in Zaire

come to the surface". The new tactic of taking child hostages indicates that the Interahamme (those who hill together), the extremist Hutu militia. and its leaders have gone one further step in their descent to

Elizabeth Wimana, 30, told of how Rwandan Hutus had sneaked out of Mugunga, crept through the rebel front lines, and raided her home on Monday. "They took all our clothes and food and tried to slice me through the chest. I fell to the ground and they took my son," she said. The four-year-old boy, Phillipe, was dragged away screaming while the Interahamwe slaughtered Elizabeth's six

neighbours with machetes. France has called for military intervention to avoid a

in relieving the Hutus inside the camp are "spineless".

For the Rwandan Hutus' latest victims, such an intervention, which would be aimed at getting food aid and medical supplies into the camp, would represent nothing short of a pact with the

"humanitarian catastrophe"

in Mugunga. It says Western

countries who decline to join it

Kaihura Kanyoni stood stiffly in the throng of people desperate to tell their stories. He had been stabbed three times in the back of the neck and left for dead by the Interahamwe last Saturday. Six members of his family were taken. Suzannah Ndatukunda, 45, stood next to him. Her eight children were taken on sunday. Adera, a grand-



mother who did not know her age, lost her four grandchil-dren the day before. On the same day the Rwandan Hutu fanatics raided Juma Urimubenshi, 53 — they took his food, clothes, wife and three children. All he has left his family is fading

While the international community engages in shuttle diplomacy with Zaire's President Mobutu Sese Seko and worries about the Rwandan refugees in Mugunga camp, civilians in Goma moan a constant mantra. "Fai faim."

The rebel military commander, André Ngandu Kissasse, called a unilateral ceasefire this week to allow aid groups to send food into

they complain.

Mugunga, and begged for help for civilians on his side of the frontline too.

It is not clear how long the ceasefire was likely to last. Light skirmishes ealler yesterday erupted into heavy fighting at dusk between Zaire's rebels and Hutu militia.

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Football replay

The abandoned match between Estonia and Scotland must be replayed by March 16 next year Page 48



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Parents deny Brown's business roots

By Andrew Pierce POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE octogenarian parents of Gordon Brown were astonished yesterday to learn that the Shadow Chancellor had cited their high-powered business careers to counter charges that he lacked entrepreneurial experience.

Mr Brown, in an interview to mark the first speech by a Shadow Chancellor at the Confederation of British Industry next week, said that business was in his blood. The declaration was in contrast to his Who's Who entry, which lists only academic, journalistic and political activities.

Mr Brown, the son of a Church of Scotland minister, insisted he was brought up in a family that was aware of the difficult decisions business-

men faced. He told the Press Association yesterday that his mother. Elizabeth, was a director of a company of builders and timber merchants for 40 years. "Indeed she was probably, at the stage she became a company director, one of a small number of women who were company

Not so, according to Mrs Brown yesterday. She said from her retirement home in Insch, Aberdeenshire: "It's all a bit embarrassing. I was not a working director at all.

directors."

"It was a small family firm. I was not very important. I merely performed some light administrative duties when I was there, which was far from all the time. I went away when I got married. I would hardly have called myself a

inherited business knowledge from his father, the Rev John Brown, 82. "I was brought up in an atmosphere where I knew exactly what was happening as far as business is concerned. I was aware of all the difficult decisions that businesses had to make."

But Mrs Brown said last night: "No. No. My husband was first and foremost a Church of Scotland minister. He preached for more than 40 years. There was no time The Shadow Chancellor

also revealed that when he left Edinburgh University in 1976 he became a founding director of Mainstream publishing company, which has a £2.5 million annual turnover. Peter MacKenzie, a principal of the Edinburgh-based



Elizabeth Brown: no time

company, said: "I would not say Gordon was a founding director. There were only two of those in a tiny office with a tyepwriter and a bank loan. He was not one of them. He came in later. He was a nonexecutive director."

Rate rise fears hit share prices

The threat of another interest rate rise hung over the City, causing a hefty fall in share prices. The FT-SE 100 index slipped below 3,900 at one stage, before recovering slightly to close at 3,900.4.
The FT-SE has now fallen

over 170 points in the past two eeks since hitting a record high of 4,0732 on October 21. The pound also slipped back slightly, closing down 0.2 at

Yeltsin walking

President Yeltsin reassured Russians that he was back in control, as doctors reported that he was now able to walk by himself. He will stay in intensive care for at least one more day but move to the more comfortable Kremlin

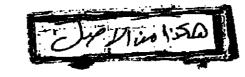
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Forcible speakers succeeded by loudmouths

On the Centre-Right you

hen he was a Home Office minister. Sir Peter Lloyd (C. Fareham) never seemed able to shout. British politics badly needs the return of such men.

Watching Commons Questions over the past eight years. I can report that the quality of the exchanges has recently taken a downturn. The standard was never high, but threaded into the weave of histrionics, special pleading. sloganising and name-calling was a consistent - if some times unseen — thread.

You could call it integrity. you could call it style, you could call it thoughtfulness or you could call it class; but whatever its name, you could recognise it.

You could recognise it when Roy Hattersley was on the Front Bench. his party's spokesman on Home Affairs. As partisan - as cheap, sometimes - as the next MP, you knew his interventions were anchored to personal belief. There was philosophical ballast beneath the wind. You knew it was there as long as William Whitelaw was Home Secretary. He never said anything interesting but you felt sure he would block anything that was wrong. On the Centre-Left,

POLITICAL SKETCH from Douglas Hurd or Chris margins. The phraseology Patten, you could rely on a was immoderate, the ideology

sort of fastidiousness, as ironwilled as it was elegantly understated. You knew there were things they would not say and would not do. You could sense it, ill-

could find reassurance in Home Secretary David Waddington's blend of populist rhetoric and cautious practicality. The late Keith Joseph, you knew, would listen. You concealed, behind Gerald Kaufman's superficially insulting style. Few on the could count on Nicholas Ridley's fine contempt for the Labour front bench could so infuriate the Tories, but his cheers of the mob. When, too

MATTHEW PARRIS

sense it: the rhetoric leaps and dives like a kite, but the string of the kite is securely held.

The political qualities of which I speak are not so much a question of Right or Left, but more a question of seriousness: seriousness about something beyond winning. Opportunism has its place in the Commons, but if anchored to nothing but advantage it into a kind of capriciousness.

The sense of caprice, as i watched the Government and Opposition front benches during Home Affairs Questions

There was a creepy feeling of anchorless drift in an angry

Everybody was shouting. A junior minister responsible for the police, David Maclean. seems to have been shouting ever since he got the job. Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, was shouting. His opposite number, Jack Straw, was shouting.

They were shouting about knives, guns. police powers, judges, prisons . . . everything; but mostly they were shouting about electoral advantage. How soon have former ministers like Sir Peter come to

John Major's absence by Michael Heseltine, and for Labour by John Prescott. They shouted too - Hezza was in roaring form - but survivors themselves from another age. they did not mean it. We could enjoy the Punch and Judy, confident that the hands within the gloves were attached to

All too often now there is no hand, no grown-up. Indeed, no glove. Punch and Judy have taken on a life of their own, and strut and fret on

FRIENMENT

Prisoners in mix-up freed and rearrested

Sixteen high-security prisoners were released from jail and promptly rearrested yesterday because of an administrative error that is causing severe embarrassment to the lrish Government.

Charges against the 16, who include Nessan Quinlivan, the Brixton escaper, were invalid. The judge who charged the men had asked to be taken off the list of Special Criminal Court judges. This was done in August, but he was not told and continued hearing cases.

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Cure for earache

Five-year-old children who chewed gum containing xylitol, a natural sugar, five imes a day had 40 per cent fewer attacks of acute ear infections over a two-month period than children who chewed a gum with sucrose. The study was conducted among 300 Finnish children.

Adams injured

Gerry Adams, 48, the Sinn Fein president, has cancelled public engagements for the next few days after being badly bruised in a car acci-dent in the Irish Republic. He and his driver were treated in hospital. The car. in collision with another vehicie, was a write-off.

Repeat escapes

Three of the six dangerous prisoners who escaped from a coach in north London while being transferred betoween jails had escaped cus-tody before, it was disclosed yesterday. One, Lee Mitty, was on the run for two years after absconding from Little Hey jail near Cambridge.

£14,000 payout

Frankieanne Ricketts, 25 won £14,000 in an out-ofcourt settlement for her unfair dismissal and sexual harassment claims. The in-dustrial tribunal in Croydon. south London, against OCO Heating and Mechanical Engineering of Lewisham, started last March.

Raiders sought

Police are creating a national database of information in an attempt to catch armed burglars who have raided homes of the rich or famous, netting millions of pounds. In the latest attacks, on homes in north London and Dorset, they seized jewellery worth up to £500,000.

Knife ruling

No action will be taken to curb the sale of knives by mail order, the Government announced last night. The Home Office Minister Ann Widdecombe said in a Commons written reply that the control of mail order sales was not considered appropriate.

£2m goes begging

An unclaimed National Lottery prize of more than £2 million will go into the "good causes" kitty if the winner does not identify himself within the next two weeks. The ticket was bought in Hall for the May 25 draw. The winner must claim the prize by lipm on November 21.

Village ambition

The residents of Milton Abbas, Dorset, hope to raise E250,000 to buy the lake that flooded the original site of their village in 1773. The village was rebuilt after the landowner, Lord Milton, extended his estate to create the lake, which is now up for

No change on windfall tax, Brown claims

By ARTHUR LEATHLEY

GORDON BROWN insisted last night that all privatised utilities would face a windfall tax from a Labour government, after the chairman of PowerGen had said his company could be excluded.

Government ministers and industrialists yesterday accused Labour of watering down its plans to raise at least £3 billion by taxing the profits of utility companies, and there were accusations of confusion, after the Shadow Chancellor appeared to contradict sugges tions by an aide to Tony Blair that only privatised utilities with a monopoly would have to pay additional taxes on 'excessive profits". Ed Wallis. chairman of PowerGen, claimed that the company would be excluded.

A spokesman for Mr Brown said last night: "In principle, all privatised utilities will be considered for inclusion within the remit of the levy. We would not want to discriminate unfairly." His comment followed a letter from Alastair Campbell, Mr Blair's press secretary, saying that the windfall tax would apply to the excess profits of the ptivatised monopoly utilities". City analysts insisted that very few of the privatised monopolies, with companies including BT and British Gas now facing competition.

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PM attacks French economy on eve of Chirac summit

FROM JILL SHERMAN, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT, IN BORDEAUX

JOHN MAJOR last night delivered a surprising broadside against the state of the into France for a meeting with President Chirac to spell out Britain's demands for the

future of the European Union. The Prime Minister will tell M Chirac in Bordeaux today that he is prepared to scupper next month's European summit in Dublin if other countries fail to agree to British demands over a number of issues, including the 48hour week. Yesterday he embarrassed his host by using a newspaper interview to contrast Britain's economy favourably with that of France.

Hours before an informal dinner with the French leader, Mr Major boasted that the average family in Britain would be better off this year than at the time of the last election. while pointing to high unemployment and industrial unrest in France. 'That's why the pulse of Britain is growing stronger. Compare that with what is happening in the rest of Europe," he said in an interview in the London Evening ment in Britain is 15 per cent but in France it is well over 26 per cent. In Britain we have seen the number of days lost to strikes fall to the lowest ever. In France many of their public services have been paralysed by the walkouts."

At today's meeting Mr Major will argue that Britain has no intention of accepting a 48hour week if the European Court of Justice rules against Britain next week, over an EU working-time directive. He will serve warning that Britain will demand a change in the Maastricht treaty rules to ensure that Britain can opt out of the directive.

Mr Major will also resist



Chirac: meets Major in Bordeaux today

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veto. Paris and Bonn are pressing for a more flexible approach, to allow an inner core of countries to proceed more quickly with political integration. The two countries are now asking for a clause to be inserted into the treaty which would allow subgroups of member states to move ahead without waiting for a unanimous agreement. Mr Major is expected to ask for M Chirac's support in his efforts to prevent "quota-hop-

moves by France and Germ-

any to weaken the national

ping" by foreign fishermen. British ministers claim that 20 per cent of the UK fishing quota is now taken up by quota-hoppers — mainly Spanish and Dutch — who buy British licences. Mr Major has given warning that until this is stopped, he will not agree to further cuts in the size of the British fishing fleet.

The summit, which will also be attended by other Cabinet ministers, will also focus on the crisis in Zaire. Closer cooperation against drugs and termrism will be discussed. and also the Middle East and Bosnia.

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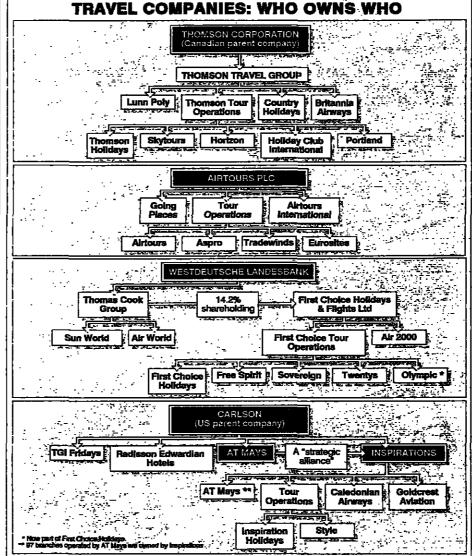
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Travel firms insist big is better for the customer

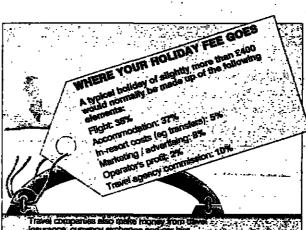
THE five leading British travel companies reacted with disbelief yesterday that the Office of Fair Trading had decided to recommend the referral of the industry to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

Last week, at the Association of British Travel Agents' conference in Istanbul, they had listened to detailed figures showing that not only were holidaymakers switching to small tour operators and travel agents, but that the alleged problems of vertical integration caused little or no concern to the public.

In the past year the number of holidays sold by the top five tour operators — Thomson. Airtours, First Choice, Sunworld and Inspirations - fell by 5 per cent from 66 per cent of the total market of about 8.5 million to 61 per cent. This, they argued, was proof that the individual travel agent and specialist tour operator was not suffering.

More than that, the OFT had received no more than a handful of complaints from the public, they said. The big conglomerates believe there is no case to answer and they are convinced that they have been able to offer the British holidaymaker a better deal and lower price than any other country's travel industry.

The slow move towards vertical integration began in 1972 when Thomson - the biggest tour operator, with a dominant 30 per cent share of the market — bought the Lunn Poly chain of travel agencies.



and advice, they said.

If a holidaymaker asked for a particular break in a Going Places shop, for example, he

was likely to be shown only an

Airtours brochure because

Airtours owns the 700 Going

Places shops. A typical high street travel agent would have

between 100 and 150 brochures on display and up to

The MMC is certain to

investigate the linkage of com-

pulsory holiday insurance to

particular packages. This can

add up to 20 per cent to the cost of a holiday, which is

often not made clear in bro-

chures. Last week Ahta

reached a voluntary agree-ment with the Advertising

Standards Authority to end

the hiding of such costs, but

the practice still goes on.

400 in stock.

Since then they have built up to nearly 900 shopts in almost every town centre in Britain. At about the same time Britannia Airways, and its fleet of Boeing 767 and 757 jets. became part of the group and carries virtually all Thomson

holidaymakers.
The big tour operators say that owning their own travel agency and airline provides much lower prices, by using their marketing clout to gain the lowest possible rates from hoteliers and villa owners. For the small agent or tour operator, however, the dominance of the big five means they are under constant pressure to match their prices - which they cannot do. It is therefore not surprising that they have been lobbying hard for

was at best unethical and possibly illegal. Customers

Their main argument at the Abta conference last week was that to sell a holiday from a major tour operator in the operator's own travel agency

Holiday inquiry

Thomson, said it had given undertakings to be open about links between companies within the group, but had refused other demands being

made by the Office of Fair These, he said, included measures to stop Lunn Poly negotiating freely with operators during key periods of the year and an insistence that Thomson Holidays should deal with all retailers on the

same basis. Mr Crossland insisted that Airtours was not at fault, and blamed Thomsons' refusal to give assurances for the refer-

looking for," he said. "For the past three years we have had posters in travel agents owned by Airtours telling customers that we own hotels, cruise ships and aircraft. We also give a good width of choice more than 70 per cent of our turnover is from non-Airtours companies."

Mr Bridgeman said: The two leading travel companies with whom I have had discussions have argued that their practices are a reflection of the competition that prevails in the travel trade. My view is that they can distort the com-

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Two years for pensioner who shot abusive tourists

A PENSIONER who shot and wounded three abusive young daytrippers near his country cottage on the banks of Loch Lomond was jailed for two years yesterday. One victim nearly died, but the jury decided that Alexander Brown, 67, had acted under provocation.

A court heard that Brown had been plagued for years by drunken troublemakers at scenic Luss, featured on the TV soap opera High Road. He went to fetch his air rille after police had failed to respond to two calls for help. Four months after the shooting, he was elected as a local community councillor.

Passing sentence at Dumbarton Sheriff Court, Sheriff Tom Scott said the maximum sentence he

faced was life imprisonment. If it to complain, but said that an had not been for the provocation, "officious" receptionist told him the he would have been sent the High Court for sentence: "You left the scene, you returned to your home and got the gun before going back to use it. You had time to reflect The message has to go out loud and clear that people who opt to solve their problems with a gun will be

dealt with most seriously."

Brown, a retired TV sound recordist, had been disturbed on a Saturday afternoon last August by a group of young men swimming in Luss Water burn, which runs along the foot of his garden. Brown asked them to leave and informed them they were on private property, but said he was showered with abuse and stones. He went to his cottage to telephone the police twice

"officious" receptionist told him the local constable was too busy. He admitted telling her: "I have

to protect myself." But he claimed: "I did not mean that I would take the law into my own hands." Carrying his air rifle, he returned to the burn, where he said that he was again pelted with stones and threatened with re-

marks such as: "There's that baldy

old bastard, let's get him." He said: "I wanted to persuade them to leave. I felt frightened and vulnerable. I thought if they saw me with a gun, it would frighten them off." He denied that he intended to fire the weapon. but when they continued to mock him, he loaded it with pellets and fired six shots at the rocks beneath them:

"I felt very threatned and very afraid. I cannot explain why they were hit. There may have been richochets or deflections off trees." Postman Steward Reid, 21, of Glasgow, was hit in the chest and almost died after a freak reaction to

the pellet which shifted his heart to the right side of his chest. The pellet cannot be removed. David Butler. 20, was hit in the elbow, and Alexander Spalding, 18, was hit in the thigh. Both are scarred for life. Brown admitted that when told of the extent of the men's injuries he was "shocked and very concerned". His solicitor, Gary McAteer, told the court that he had been tormented over a period of years and had reacted after a build-up of frustration with the authorities: "Mr Brown retired to Luss to have a



Brown, right, went to fetch his rifle after police calls failed

rupted and affected by a series of incidents. He is an old man who was tormented and who reacted when the police were of little

assistance. He bitterly regrets it." Brown was found guilty on four firearms charges, including one of causing severe injury and permatence, his distraught wife, Irene, said: "I just don't know how he will cope with prison. It is an enormous worry." One of his victims, David Butler, said: "I expected and hoped he would be jailed, but I think two years is a bit harsh for an old man."

The young men admitted being in high spirits as they swam and dived into a deep rock pool, but Mr Butler said: "I don't accept that we provoked him. We weren't doing any harm. He was the one who came back and got aggressive. Some of us did throw things at him. but that was after he started shooting. We retaliated."

Mr Reid's father, Donald, 58, said: "Jail is the only suitable sentence. He nearly killed my boy. A man that age should know

Jailed IRA barracks bomber goes free

BY PAUL WILKINSON

AN IRA bomber jailed for 14 years yesterday for an attack on an Army barracks 22 years ago walked free from court three hours later.

Peter McMullen, an Ulsterborn Roman Catholic who deserted from the Parachute Regiment in 1972 to join the Provisionals, had already spent more time in custody in America and awaiting trial - than he would have served under the sentence,

Judge Myerson, QC, said at York Crown Court that he was prepared to credit McMullen with the time spent in custody hecause he was satisfied he had "not been playing the

system in America" He had to set against that the fact that one of the bombs in the 1974 attack on the Royal Engineers base at Ripon, North Yorkshire, had been planted where it could have caused loss of life. McMullen was also a deserter.

"In different circumstances the appropriate sentence would be one of 20 years, but given the passage of time, your renunciation of the IRA and all its works, your age now and your ill-health, I pass a sentence of 14 years."

McMullen. 40, who suffers from a back problem, had adea guitty to the boimb of Claro Barracks in March 1974 with two other, still unidentified, IRA men. Four explosions caused damage to the Naafi and offices. One person, the Nuafi manageress, was slightly injured. No warn-

ing was given. The court was told that McMullen, who was sent to America on IRA business after the bombing and after serving a jail sentence in the Irish Republic for arms offences. had spent more than nine years in detention while fighting extradition. He had returned voluntarily in March.



The three new colours, being modelled yesterday, are lime green, cerise and terracotta. Royal blue, already in existence, is also for sale, for an estimated £20,000 to £30,000

Sale adds a new dash of colour to the racing scene

By Russell Jenkins

THE rulers of British horseracing are betting that the equine equiva-lent of personalised number plates will prove a winner with owners.

Three sets of plain racing silks, which have never been available before, are to be auctioned by Sotheby's next week for up to £30,000 each. Plain silks are considered far more desirable than the decorated versions, partly because of their exclusivity.

A successful bid for the new sets

will put their owners among a horseracing elite. Others include the Derby-winning owners Lord de Walden (apricot) and Fahd Salman (dark green). Sheikh Mohammed's highly successful Godolphin team, which sent out the 2,000 Guineas winner Mark of Esteem, races in royal blue. The new colours are lime green,

terracotta and cerise. A winning bid will secure the new owners the right to register the colours with the British Horseracing Board, the sport's governing authority. However, they will also have to pay an annual rental of about £20 before their chosen jockey can wear them in earnest. This is the first time that the right to register racing colours has been auctioned in public. Previously it was sold through the trade press by sealed bid.

The sale of the "Cherished Colours" range also includes a combination of shades not been available before, such as gold and silver. The new colours bring the permitted number of shades to 25.

The Marquess of Hartington. deputy chairman of Sotheby's Hold-

ings and former Senior Steward of the Jockey Club, said: "The single colours are very appealing because there are so few of them. They show up very well, which is a good thing, unless the horse is right at the back. There are a lot of people who want to get into racing and a single colour is

an exciting way to start."

Hugo Swire, Sotheby's deputy director in charge of the sale, said that the sale of the colours was only a small part of the proceedings, called The Racing Sale and subtitled A Celebration of the Turf. Also for sale

Piggott when he rode Never Say Die to his first Derby victory in 1954.

Ian Little, deputy manager of racing administration at Weatherby's, the secretariat to the British Horseracing Board, said: "There are obviously very few plain colours. All the other combinations are fairly widely available. Plain colours attract more attention and are more exclusive. The last three should cause quite a stir."

Racing, page 45 | structures above.

Coal mine blamed for city tremors

BY SHIRLEY ENGLISH

SCIENTISTS solved the mystery of the Edinburgh earthquakes yesterday, as the city shook for the eightieth time in about a month. The British Geological Survey blamed Monktonhall Colliery, to the east of the city, which has opened a new coalface.

Yesterday's tremor, 1.46pm, measured 1.2 on the Richter scale and was felt by residents a few miles away. For the past month, seismologists from the survey have been monitoring ground movements in the Newcraighall, Musselburgh and Portobello areas. Yesterday they confirmed suspicions that the earthquakes were caused by collapsing old mineworkings or by the new mineworkings at Monktonhall.

They presented their evidence to colliery management. the Health and Safety Executive, and local and central government. Richard Ord. chief executive of Monktonhall Colliery, said that his staff would study the findings carefully. Bob Stevenson, HM Princi-

pal inspector of Mines, said-The mine is doing nothing wrong, it is operating under normal mining practices. But they are currently working in un area where there is considoverlain with strong rock which, when stress-relieved. causes tremors.

"I would not expect these fremors to result in any danger to property or the public. That is extremely unlikely."

Alice Walker, head of seismic analysis at the British Geological Survey in Edinburgh, said the chipping away of coal had caused movements in the ground around the mine. She expected the tremors to continue until the new coalface moved past whatever it had disturbed, possibly rock

As of now:

Tiger and sheep will see lion out of colony

By Dalya Alberge ARTS CORRESPONDENT

THE people of Hong Kong will have something to re-member Chris Patten by when the Governor and the British move out next year. A bronze statue is being made in a Cotswold foundry to mark the end of British rule on July 1, 1997.

The sculpture, by Jon Buck, depicts a figure squatting on the ground with a tiger under one arm and a sheep under the other. It will stand outside the new British consulate-general building, which is being de-signed by Terry Farrell

However, neither Mr Patten's office nor the Trade Commission in Hong Kong knew anything about the stat-ue yesterday. "I haven't the faintest idea about it," a spokesman said on being asked about the project. He



Jon Buck and his bronze, destined for Hong Kong

was, however, aware that "a whole raft of items" were being made for the building. A spokesman at the Foreign Office in London said that the bronze was part of its contract and that art worth £120,000 was being commissioned for

the building.

The artist explained that Terry Farrell Associates had contacted him and other sculptors to take a portfolio of work to Hong Kong. My work was chosen for the interior." Mr Buck said.

Rungwe Kingdon, owner of the Pangolin Editions foundry at Chalford. Gloucestershire. said: "The work is called New

Age, to symbolise the new optimism." Explaining the significance of the tiger and sheep, he said: "They are important animals in the Chinese calendar and mythologically in China. He added: The artist didn't

want to get political and animals are a safe subject, yet they are symbolic of a new harmonious relationship." The work, which draws on Indian, African and Romanesque imagery, is due to be completed in four weeks, when it will be flown to Hong Kong. It will be there for the opening of the consulate-gen-eral building on January 13.

Boy aged 14 set fire to tramp and killed him

By TIM JONES

A BOY aged 14 who admitted killing a tramp by setting fire to him was sentenced to 35 years' detention yesterday.

Winchester Crown Court was told that Ian Flanagan was one of a group of 15 youths who had indulged in dreadful conduct towards Alan Whittle. Mr Whittle had been sitting on a park bench in Eastleigh. Hampshire, when Flanagan had set fire to his jacket with a

cigarette lighter. Passing sentence, Mr Justice Ian Kennedy told Flanagan, who was 13 at the time of the offence and who admitted manslaughter, that he was not by nature a wicked boy. "You are thoughtless, a bully, but you are not deeply wicked." Mr Whittle had been "an unhappy man who lived a hopeless life, a sad pathetic life, harming no one except

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Sleeping rough in the doorway to fame

By KATHRYN KNIGHT

A YOUNG man who slept rough on the streets of London may model for Caivin Klein after being spotted by the fashion designer in a book about the capital's homeless.

Until recently Shaun Yates. 25, slept in shop doorways in central London after leaving the Army five years ago and had no idea that agents for the American designer were trying to find him. He was

eventually tracked down to a ing if anyone knew him. Ron boxing club in north London Hagland, his boxing trainer where he has recently started Mr Yates's change of

fortune started when his photograph was included in a book about the homeless by the photographer Michael Heffernan. At his New York offices, Calvin Klein apparently spotted the picture and the hunt for its subject began. He was discovered only when an advertisement was placed in a national newspaper ask-

at Islington Boys Club, spotted the small ad and rang Calvin Klein to tell them Mr Yates was one of his amateur welterweights.

Mr Yates, originally from St Helens in Lancashire, was nonchalant yesterday. "I'm just happy to have got off the streets and got my life together. If something comes of this it will be fantastic. I'll just go with the flow and see what happens," he said.



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them to carry around".

Modern schools put heavy load on pupils' shoulders

By Damian Whitworth

MODERN. education. and teenage fashion are storing up back problems for schoolchildren, say osteopaths. They are to examine the problem of pupils bowed down under-school bags groaning with books, sports kit and the assorted junk of adolescence.

Gone are the days when children sat at their own desks all day and stacked their inky books and half-eaten sandwiches and apple cores under the flip-up lids. In today's high-tech institutions, pupils are required to drag loads of ten kilogrammes or more from classroom to science lab to art studio, and then all the way home again.

The National Back Pain Association has set up a working party of ergonomists and osteopaths to examine the trend that has set British children on the same path as their French counterparts. Much adult back pain can be traced to the poor postures and practices of childhood. Children should not be expected to carry 20-odd pounds of junk around with them all day," said Norma Montague of the association.

The problem is that schools dun't provide lockers. We get a flood of letters every Septem-ber from parents of children who have started secondary school and are carrying a ton around with them and coming home exhausted and with sore backs and necks.

The other problem is that they all have these bags that they throw over one shoulder because it's cool to do so. If I was a headmaster I would deduct house points if they didn't use two straps." Ms Montague said. The association also wants chairs and computer desks adjustable for

different-sized pupils. Rucksacks and sports bags.



French lesson: across the Channel, schoolchildren are taught to buckle up at an early age

But Dariush Golzarnanesh, with a football team and almost big enough to carry one, are de rigueur. Stanley Gregory of Billings and Ed-14, said that he still often felt as if he were setting off on an expedition when he went monds, who have been fitting out schoolchildren since 1898, home in the evenings.

"We have to carry our text said: "They have these huge books around because we sports bags made by Umbro need them for our homeand Head so that they cram in work," he said. "And then I everything that is humanly possible. They want the fashhave computer disks, pencil case, Walkman, rugby kit, PE ionable bag to carry all their kit, coat and often my oboe. life around with them. We are It's a lot and people complain very rarely asked for satchels. that it's bad for their backs. I haven't sold one for four or Our bags have ropy straps that hurt and you tend to lean "Briefcases are seen to be

"Some people need two bags. Head, Nike and Umbro old hat as well now, even at public schools. Some bags are the most popular schools are even putting their because they look good and logo onto these rucksacks and giant kithags because that's the style the children want." are fashionable. If you turned up with a satchel or a brief-At Cardinal Vaughan Mecase, you would be laughed morial School, one of Lonout of the playground." don's most _academically

uty head, said that books had got bigger. "When I was at



Comprehensive contents: Dariush Golzarmnesh, left, and Fabian Maingot, 14

Boy may be moved to end strike at school

By JOHN O'LEARY

A BOY whose behaviour sparked a teachers' strike may be moved to another school against his mother's wishes. under plans to be announced today by Nottinghamshire

Education Authority. Manton Junior School, in Worksop, has been closed for more than a week after staff refused to teach Matthew Wilson, 10. Governors have twice rejected his expulsion. Gillian Shephard, the Education Secretary, demanded to know by the end of the week how the authority proposed to

resolve the dispute. A council spokesman said yesterday that the proposed solution would require agreement from the Government to ward off the possibility of legal

CORRECTIONS

□ Lady Mackay did not figure in a photograph (early editions, yesterday) in which her husband, the Lord Chancellor, was pictured, and we apologise for the incorrect caption which said that she

☐ An article (October I) wrongly stated that Riverdance producer Moya Doherty said she had sacked Michael Flatley. She did not, and we apologise for the error. ☐ Tommy Lawton (Obituary. yesterday) is survived by a son and a step-daughter.

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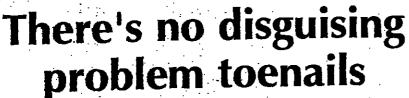
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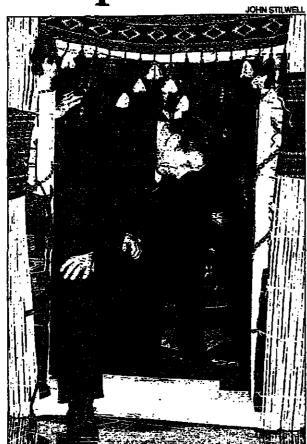


ancient city on the Silk Road yesterday and voiced his disapproval at restoration work being carried out in the former Soviet republic of Turkmenistan.

On the fourth day of nine-day tour of new Asian states that once formed the Islamic south of the Soviet Union, the Prince arrived at Merv, now called Mary. where he saw the 12thcentury mausoleum of Sul-tan Sanjar. As he viewed the relic he urged Turkmen scholars engaged in its resto-ration to use original materials rather than new bricks he also noticed that some arches had been rebuilt in a Turkish-style V-shape rather than in their original curved

keep as much of the original as possible," the Prince told

Potential diplomatic emwhen President Niyazov was dissuaded by British officials from presenting the Prince with the traditional gift of a horse. Instead, the President gave him a carpet quarantine regulations.



The Prince emerges from a yurt, or tent, at a carpet museum, where he was presented with a gift

QUEEN ELIZABETH the Queen Mother, braving a chill wind and the weight of her % years, spent an hour at the Royal British Legion's annual Field of Remembrance ceremony at West-

Dressed in black and with

a large poppy at her lapel, the Queen Mother appeared in good health as she walked the 30 yards from her car to the service and back again, aided by a stick upon which she leant only lightly. Al-though wearing what has showed every sign of enjoy-ing the benefits of last year's Her hosts had erected a small lectern on which the Queen Mother placed her

scribed simply "In Remembrance, 1996". Flanked by the Dean of Westminster, the Very Rev Michael Mayne,

The Queen Mother then

driven, battery-powered golf buggy and spent 40 minutes driving among veterans who had come to plant crosses in memory of dead comrades. Dolnicar, 75, from Slovenia, who in 1944 was a leader of under Tito to whom Church-

ill gave Allied support.

Remembrance ceremonies have a poignancy for the Queen Mother far beyond her having been Queen Consort during the Second World War. She lost two the Western Front during the earlier conflict.

Legion officials hope that this weekend's remembrance observance of two minutes silence at Ilam on Monday, the anniversary of the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month of 1918. when the guns finally fell

Queen Elizabeth was born in 1900. During her lifetime an estimated I.1 million British servicemen have died in action, more than 12,000 of them since the end of the



The Queen Mother leaving the Field of Remembrance ceremony yesterday

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Kaufman says press watchdog 'like a eunuch'

By Frances Gibb. Legal correspondent

Commission, was embroiled in furious exchanges with MPs yesterday when he warned against legal curbs on newspaper payments to trial

Gerald Kaufman, chairman of the National Heritage Committee, accused him of sounding "like a eunuch" in putting the case for press self-regulation rather than statutory control. Lord Wakeham, a former Conservative minister, retorted that there was no more offensive maker of remarks" than Mr Kaufman and he is not as as good as he used to be, because he is getting older".

The Tory MP Sir John Gors asked whether there was not a strong case for legislation — as set out last week by the Lord Chancellor - "rather than to leave matters to the blandishments of the toothless body that you have Lord Wakeham was ruled out of order by Mr Kaufman as he sought to suggest that Sir

LORD WAKEHAM, chair- from a PCC rejection of a complaint he had made. The heritage committee is inquiring into press activity affecting court cases. The in-

quiry was launched before the Lord Chancellor's consultation paper last week, which ighted four high-profile trials Lord Wakeham said it would be wrong to take away the principle of a free press "for four cases in 40 years —

and only one in the past ten years - none of which resulted in a miscarriage of justice." governing payments to witgiven time to work: "If it does not, I shall be the first to say I can't make it work and the Government will have to

Lord Wakeham added that the defence of acting in the defined in the industry's re vised code - would still need

THE TIMES/DILLONS FORUM Life class A chance to question Stephen Jay Gould

S tephen Jay Gould, one of the most popular and controversial science writers, returns to the evolution battle ground in this Times/Dillon forum on Monday. November 11. Professor Gould will argue that the idea of progress is an illusion. Evolution, he maintains, is not a steady upward advance led by mankind but a rich and

The forum which marks the publication of Life's Grandeur. The Spread of Excellence from Plato to Darwin (Jonathan Cape, £16.99), will be held at the Institute of Education, 20 Bedford Way, London WCl at 7.30pm. Tickets at £10 (concessions £7.50) which includes £2 off the price of Professor Gould's book, are available by phoning 0171-467-1613, by faxing the coupon below to 0171-467 1690, or by sending the coupon, with your remitted. to Dillons, 82 Gower Street, London WCl & 6EO, where to Dillons, 82 Gower Street, London WCIE 6EQ, where tickets can also be bought.

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New computer system at root of trouble but airport blames airline luggage handlers

BA to compensate passengers for baggage confusion

THOUSANDS of British Air They were said to be unhappy. ways passengers who were separated from their luggage for up to two days will be eligible for compensation, the airline said yesterday. The total bill for the airline, which had to deliver luggage to hotels all over the world, is expected to run into tens of

thousands of pounds. Baggage handlers were still struggling to clear the backlog yesterday as BA and Heathrow Airport disagreed over the root of the problem. BA said a computer fault caused baggage carousels in Terminal 4 to grind to a halt. Sources at the airport said the new German system, which became operational last Sunday, had already crashed several times.

But a spokesman for Heathrow Airport Ltd blamed airline baggage handlers for failing to deal with luggage.

about new work practices.

BA said it would reimburse passengers who had had to buy clothes and toiletries and treat compensation claims sympathetically, but it was impossible to put a figure on

the payout.
The airline said 4,000 bags were involved at the height of the backlog and 50 extra staff were brought in to work through . Wednesday night. The airline delivered bags to-Flights to and from all parts of the world had been affected. Many passengers were not aware of a problem until their flights landed without their luggage. Both incoming and outgoing passengers were affected as luggage had to be loaded and unloaded manual-

ly by BA workers... Engineers from Siemens, the company which made the computer software. flown from Germany. The new system reads barcodes on luggage labels, then activates the conveyor belt system to send the hags to aircraft BA said it was too early to say if it would seek compensation from the manufacturers. The belts were installed in 1986, when Terminal 4 opened, and

handle 16,000 bags every day.
"We have traced the fault and hopefully fixed it and the backlog should be cleared by the end of the day," a BA spokesman said yesterday. He described a dispute involving a "small number" of handlers as an insignificant factor in

George Ryde, national sec-retary of the Transport and General Workers Union's civil air transport group, also said baggage handlers were not



Baggage carts, shrouded against rain, waiting to be loaded at Heathrow Airport's Terminal 4 yesterday

responsible for the backlog. There had been no industrial tion, he said.

Baggage handling is now a major issue for airports, with Heathrow considered to be lagging behind many of its

Whitaker, editor of Airline Business magazine, said it was crucial that the designers of Terminal 5, currently at the public inquiry stage, got it exactly right. Several months should be allowed for teething

now moving towards an automated baggage system because it is much quicker and more cost effective. The trouble is when something goes wrong there is no one to do it."

test them.

Which? published by the Consumers' Association. called on British Airways to introduce better contingency Older airports faced problems

Council to pay £1,000 for noisy neighbour

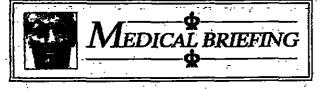
A WOMAN is to be given £1,000 compensation by her local council because it failed to stop her being tormented by a noisy neighbour.

Stratford-on-Avon in Warwickshire has agreed to pay the full amount recommended by the ombudsman for "maladministration causing injustice". At first it had contested the amount as "excessive" and offered £150 as a

goodwill payment. The unnamed woman suffered five years of distress caused by her neighbour's barking dogs and loud music played in the early hours. An eviction order finally granted in 1993 was not enforced because the neighbour appealed and made counterclaims that her flat was damp. before eventually accepting a transfer in 1995.

The ombudsman said handling of complaints was be-devilled by poor comm devilled by poor comm-unication between council departments. Stratford's chief executive Ian Prosser said it had now established written guidelines to prevent mistakes happening again.

Why schizophrenia drug is so prized



A NEW preparation for the treatment of schizophrenia was the star of the show at the International Prix Galien on Wednesday night in London. The competition is open to pharmaceutical firms from all over the world and is held to honour those who have produced the best new drugs or appliance:

Gerald Maione, the Health Minister, presented the first prize to Janssen Cling for Risperdal (risperidone). Despite the availability of new drugs for therapy in schizo phrenic patients, over 80 per cent of patients in long-term care have not had their routine treatment changed and still using drugs available for 20 or 30 years.

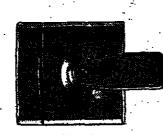
Risperdal has many advantages over existing therapy The patients are particularly grateful for its absence of severe and distressing sideeffects. This freedom from serious side-effects encour ages schizophrenic patients to persevere with their treatment, which is particularly important persuading them to comply with doctor's orders has always been one of the

problems of treating such patients. This new-found cooperation has been followed by a reduction of 30 per cent in visits to their family doctor, admissions have been cut by 60 per cent and the length of stay in hospital after each admission by 20 per cent. Risperdal is much more

effective than the older drugs drawal, the lack of rapport with other people, loss of spontageity in conversation taking the new therapy a erally apathetic least I per cent of the British incapacitated. spendal should not only improve the life of the patient, also the patient's family. Although the drug bill will be expensive, there will be savings for the NHS in hospital and primary care costs:

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Millionaire's 'son' loses court battle against deportation

By Lin Jenkins

THE millionaire leader of a commune based in a castle was preparing to take his followers into exile yesterday after a court upheld a decision to deport a young Nepali he calls his son.

Jay Khadka. 19, who has been brought up in Britain for the past six years by Richard Morley, has been told he cannot remain here. Mr Justice Laws dismissed a challenge to the Home Secretary's decision to expel him, despite a recommendation by an immigration appeals tribunal that he should be allowed to stay on compassionate grounds.

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Mr Khadka was brought up as an English gentleman after Mr Morley took him from a mud-brick hut in the Himalayas as a debt of honour to his father. Twelve years ago, while 17,000ft up in the Annapurna mountains, Mr Morley

suffered a collapsed lung and would have died had a Nepali policeman not trekked 60 miles in three days to summon a helicopter. The man refused a reward, but asked Mr Morley to look after his son should he die, which he did in 1988. Since 1990, Mr Khadka

should he die, which he did in 1988. Since 1990, Mr Khadka has lived as part of the family that is currently made up of eight members aged between 18 and 43 at Clearwell Castle in the Forest of Dean. Mr Morley says the commune has vowed to stay together and, if Mr Khadka is deported, they will all leave.

After the reserved judgment

After the reserved judgment at the High Court, Mr Khadka said: "I think it is terrible, not just for me but for my family. I am very disappointed. I don't think Mr Howard has seen the compassionate side of this case."

onate side of this case." Mr Morley, 42, added: "It is

a sad day for human rights in Britain. I am extremely disappointed and heartbroken. I think Michael Howard has made a dreadful decision and even though the judge says his own opinions don't matter. I think he probably feels

A spokesman for the Home Office said that it would be in touch with Mr Khadka's solicitor to give him a date by which he should leave. Where the commune will settle here to been decided. However, Mr Morley will see Nepal's Prime Minister. Sher Bahadur Deuba, on Monday to discuss the idea of moving

Mr Justice Laws ruled that Mr Howard's decision was within his statutory powers. "I am unable to conclude that the Secretary of State's decision in this case was beyond the



Richard Morley and Jay Khadka at the High Court yesterday after the hearing. Leave to appeal was refused

range of responses open to a reasonable decision maker. Many might regard the result he arrived at as harsh."

In a 17-page judgment, he said Mr Howard was entitled to regard Mr Morley's solemn debt of honour as a background matter and to judge

for himself the compassionate merits of Mr Khadka's application against the need of the policy to restrict numbers coming into this country. His decision was taken as the people's democratic representative. If I were to overturn it I

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is no business of mine to do."
Helen Thomas, 41, a member of the commune, stood in tears holding hands with Mr Morley after the judgment. The judge said she had been a mother figure to Mr Khadka.
She said: 'I am absolutely

as my own son." She said that all the members of the project would leave the country and live together abroad.

At a later hearing, the judge ordered Mr Khadka to pay the Home Office's legal costs—estimated at around £20,000—and refused leave to appeal.

Drink vote drowns out the last dry Sabbath

By Tim Jones

AFTER 115 years of enforced temperance, people in the last "dry" area of Wales will be able to drink in a pub this Sunday. A chapel-led campaign to keep the Welsh Sabbath special was swept aside in the last Welsh referendum on the issue.

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Wales became 'dry' on Sundays in 1881 after a religious revival. But ever since the question was raised in the early 1960s by the first septennial referendum, every district of Wales gradually became 'wer until only Dwyfor on the Lleyn Pennisular was left.

wiemoust neartains, people argued that Sunday drinking threatened their way of life. But the 24,325 "wet" voters swamped the "dry" vote of 9,829 in a 36 per cent turniout. David Baird-Marray, chairman of the Seven-Day. Opening Council, said: "The result is good for jobs and for the local economy, which relies so heavily on the tourist trade." The Rev Iwan Llewelyn Jones, chairman of the dry campaign, said:

Police to store 200,000 handguns

Police forces must prepare to store 200,000 legal and illegal handgons, chief constables will be told today. Under proposed laws, about 40,000 legally owned 22 handgons would have to be held in secure gun clubs or by the police, few clubs are likely to reach the required standard. Forces will also have to store illegal weapons before they are destroyed. Firearms experts from the Association of Chief Police Officers will discuss the implications of the legislation today.

Suspect's suicide

Glenn Chaitt, 43, a South African facing extradition on suspicion of murdering Simon Law, 33, an accountant, of Elmsted, Kent, has hanged himself in a Johannesburg prison Mr Law, whose body has never been found, disappeared in April 1991.

Carnaby St sold

Carnaby Street in London has been sold by its Dutch owners for £90 million. The street's 93 buildings, including shops and studios, have been bought by the Shaftesbury property company, which owns large parts of Covent Garden and Chinatowe.

Murder denied

A 13-year-old boy denied murdering Jade Matthews, 9. at Netherton, Merseyside, on July 7. Liverpool Crown Court fixed his trial to begin on January 14. Jade disappeared from near her home in Bootle 7 and her body was found the next morning on a railway siding.

Securicor theft

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Kraytrial date

Charles Kray, 70, and two other men accused of involvement in an alleged £78 million cocaine supply ring were sent for trial to Noodwich Crown Court on December 2. Magistrates at Belmarsh, southeast London, sejected a bail application in respect of Kray.

Sale stopped

Chichester council has withdrawn two 18th-century armchairs, valued at £125,000, from an auction in London after a last-minute offer from the Earl of March and Kintara, a descendant of the 3rd Duke of Richmond who gave them to the city in 1785.

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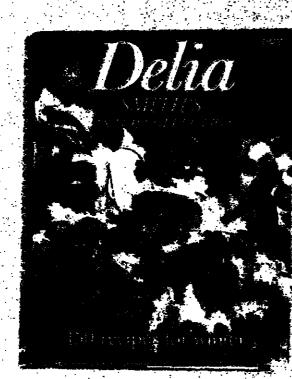
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Reformers plan secret tribunals for clerical sinners

THE Church of England is preparing to replace its 900year-old open courts for erring clergy with secret tribunals. A report on clerical discipline highlights disquiet among senior clergy at the washing of the Church's dirty linen in

Recommendations to go before the General Synod urge abandoning consistory courts that date back to William the Conqueror in favour of tribunais that will publish their decisions but withold detailed evidence.

The reforms, prompted most recently by the trials of the Dean of Lincoln and the defrocked vicar Thomas Tyler, will give more discretionary powers to bishops within a less rigid and judicial structure. They are likely to provoke criticism that the Church is trying to ensure that lurid allegations of clerical adultery are kept out of newspapers.

Canon Alan Hawker, chair-

produced the report, denied that was the intention. The concern was that evidence should be coolly and clearly assessed, he said.

The working party's conclusion is that the existing disciplinary procedures have become increasingly unpopular and so there has been a growing reluctance to make use of them," Canon Hawker said. The procedures are difficult to understand, cumbersome to operate, unduly lengthy and expensive in their use of resources, both human and financial."

The report, Under Authority, which is the result of 18 months, consideration, will go before the General Synod later this month. It follows complaints from the Manufacturing, Science and Finance union, whose members include 300 clergy, that the existing system is humiliating

nals, a formal written com- the consistory courts, which



Brandon Jackson and Thomas Tyler: their long, highly publicised cases cost six figures each

plaint of misconduct against a ape the judicial process, and cleric would go first to the would be overseen by a chairbishop. He would instigate an person sitting with one cleric initial review, at which evidence would be taken informally, before deciding whether to refer the case to a Clergy Discipline Tribunal.

This would be organised on Under the proposed tribu- a less adversarial basis than

and one lay member.

The reformers also aim to end the right of clergy not to be disciplined for political opinions or activities. "A cleric is expected to fulfill the requirereport. "Failure to do so, or

time and attention given to political activity, would not be a defence against disciplinary

Canon Hawker said it was expected that the tribunals would be swifter, cheaper and simpler and that more cases would be heard. "There are some grounds to suspect that. on occasion, bishops feel it is better to grit their teeth than to use the consistory court, simply because of the amount of time and energy it requires."

A new legal department would help to investigate complaints, lifting the responsi-bility from the bishops' shoulders. The tribunal would be able to impose punishments ranging from defrocking or suspension from clerical office to a written rebuke or an absolute discharge. Clergy would be able to appeal.

The report suggests that the practice of accepting the resignation of a cleric instead of ceedings should be changed.

List, the secret black book containing the names of clerles under suspicion.

The latest cleric to endure a consistory court, which is modelled on a Crown Court but with a diocesan chancellor or lawyer as judge and four lay and ordained "assessors" as jury, was the Dean of Lincoln, Dr Brandon Jackson. He was acquitted of adultery with a former cathedral verger, Verity Freestone.

The case, which cost nearly £100,000, raised questions about why a criminal-style procedure was needed to try allegations that were not criminal in nature.

Four years earlier, the Rev Tom Tyler was found guilty of adultery at Chichester and went to a second trial and two appeals in his unsuccessful fight to prove his innocence. The total cost to the Church was £300,000, although subsequent tightening of the Church's legal aid procedure means it is unlikely that such costs would be incurred again

BLACKLIST THAT BREEDS RUMOUR

The reformers are anxious to tackle the issue of the notorious Archbishops' Caution List, a secret log of convicted and suspected clergy. The list, set up in 1908, is updated every three months and copies are circulated under conditions of strictest secrecy to diocesan and area bishops. It is so confidential that the working party was not allowed to see it.

The first part of the list records those censured under the 1963 Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Measure. The second part contains names of clergy under pastoral discipline, but inclusion is discretionary. It is a source of anguish among clergy because, in effect, it acts as a blacklist: inclusion puts a block on promotion.

The working party said that the list was a breeding ground for rumour, misunderstanding and feelings of injustice. It was also unevenly administered. Some bishops placed a cleric on the list for being divorced, while others overlooked divorce. If a complaint about a cleric's conduct is made and an initial inquiry finds there is a case to answer, however trivial the complaint, the bishop has no

choice but to convene a consistory court. The reformers want the list to be kept at Lambeth and Bishopthorpe and to be updated continuously on a confidential basis. But it wants the overwhelming majority of names to be included only for recognised disciplinary offences recorded "after due process". Clergy should also have the right to know whether their names are on the list and to know the nature of their sins. They should be able to appeal to the tribunal.

Secretive lay movement condemned for causing disunity in parishes

A ROMAN CATHOLIC move ment approved by the Pope was condemned yesterday in a report which described how its members were "harangued" over their sinfulness.

Parishes infiltrated by the Neo-Catechumenate Way, a rapidly growing, secretive lay body with members in 3,000 parishes worldwide, have suffertd division and decline because of the movement's activities, according to the inquiry set up by the Bishop of Clifton, the Right Rev Mervyn Alexander, in January, Bishop Alexander was concerned about complaints from three parishes, in Bristol, Gloucester and Cheltenham, that their churches had been harmed by the presence of the movement.

■ The Neo-Catechumenate Way should not be allowed to recruit further members. according to an inquiry set up by the Bishop of Clifton. Ruth Gledhill reports

shanty town by the Spanish

artist Kiko Arguello. The inquiry, urging that banned, found that the movement has not brought new vitality to animate these parishes. Regrettably, the opposite is the case. These parishes lack unity and have declined pastorally." The movement, active in the Clifton diocese for 17 years, "conveys a strong sense of disunity", says

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founded in 1964 in a Madrid the report, which has wider implications for the Roman Catholic Church.

Up to 3,000 lay people are further recruitment be thought to be involved in this country alone. Many priests are also active, although worshippers might be unaware of their involvement, and of the services and meetings taking place for the movement's members within their own parish church.

The group does have many positive effects. The report describes how 100 representatives of the group claimed that their faith had grown and their outlook had changed There is undoubtedly a conversion experience," it says. In some instances this is page profound than in others. Spewing people towards God Will the edge of society, as it

were from drugs, prostitu-tion, to name but two facets." Neo-Catechumenate Way, which resists description ment, and by its lack of formal association avoids canonical controls with regard to records and finances, is based on a model of the early Church. Arguello, who was later joined a former nun, Carmen Hernandez, began by rescuing people on the fringes of society. They preach to those who are baptised but want

further Christian formation. Iconographic pictures by Aguello, who is said to have reakfast with the Pope regularly, adorn the walls of meet-

ing rooms, which are usually within existing churches. Music composed by Aguello is used at their services. In the Clifton diocese, the movement has flourished in St Nicholas of Tolentino in Bristol, St Peter in Gloucester and Sacred

Heart in Cheltenham. At one meeting, a husband and wife "made public confession of offences against God and each other at length and

in detail". The report describes "an obsession with sire, particularly sexual sin". A GP who was urged to join the group told the inquiry that it "was relying heavily on guilt and there was even a sense of spiritual blackmail".

The report, which is considered and dispassionate, does not describe the movement as a sect. But asked by members of the movement to state defin-

itively that it was not a sect, the team refused, saying they "did not regard themselves as sufficiently authoritative".

The inquiry chairman, Tom Millington, a Catholic and a member of the Lord Chancellor's Department with two decades of experience heading public inquiries, produced a report that focused specifically on the three parishes in the Clifton diocese. Mr Millington said the inquiry examined 280 written submissions and held public meetings for members and non-members.

He said: "People have suffered mental anguish and spiritual anguish in consequence of the Neo-Catechumenate Way." It was the methods used that people found unacceptable. "They harangue. It goes on and on and

sing sin. But Mr Millington said that it would not have been right to recommend the movement be banned.

"It was suggested to us that pletely," he said. "We thought this was a harsh and unnecessary way foward. We are Christians and have charitable views towards one

CRITICAL TESTIMONY

Mary Whyte, of the Sacred Heart in Cheltenham, one of the parishes investigated by the Bishop of Clifton's team, said that she thought the Neo-Catechameunte Way was "definitely a sect. It is very secret. It has split our parish completely," she said. "Members in our parish have been told never 40 our birth control. They enter arranged

Simon Beamish, of the same parish, where about 50 members of the 900-strong congregation have joined the movement, said. We have seen marriages break up, and marriages under tremendous pressure where one partner only belongs. I have been told I am not a Christian because I have not joined them. It has been said time and time again that the only way to become a true Christian is to become a neo-catechnmenate."

Gordon Urquhart, whose recent book The Pope's Armada looks critically at this and other new moves within the Catholic church, said that the report was going to be a blow to them, although other cults have

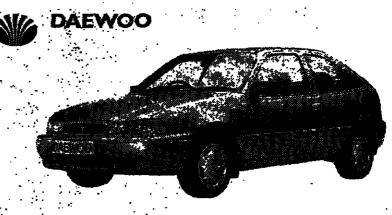
weathered similar and worse. During the investigation into the Neo-Catechumenate Way, one of the fastest-growing lay movements in the world, the inquiry team's chairman, Tom Millington, considered whether the group could be adapted to make it more acceptable to British culture. Our conclusion is that it is not open to change," he said.

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Howard hopes to boost Tory image with 13 crime Bills

mined to rush 13 Bills through Parliament before the general election to improve the Tories' image on law and order.

Among the Bills that Michael Howard urgently wants on the statue books are measures to allow police to confiscate alcohol from children and to close nightclubs where drugs

The Home Office has already announced five of its own Bills. Now eight backbench MPs have been lined up to pilot anti-crime measures through the Commons after Christmas as Private Member's Bills. The Bills cover everything from DNA testing for criminals to imprisoning foreign dissidents who are plotting in Britain.

If Mr Howard manages to get all 13 through Parliament he will have passed almost as much legislation as the rest of the Cabinet combined. Several of his colleagues are unhappy that he is hogging so much of the Parliamentary limelight. Home Office civil servants think they are setting a record and are already complaining

of the extra workload. It is unlikely that all the backbench Bills will go through. Only the first four winners in the ballot are guaranteed second readings and their success will depend on whether Labour gives its

see whether Labour is tough

The Tories won 13 out of the 20 top places in last month's ballot and most were fighting to take up various of Mr Howard's causes. They know that their Bills will be drafted for them, they will win points in the Whips' Office and their names have a better chance of going down in history than if they pilot an obscure pet project that neither side

supports. Barry Legg. MP for Milton Keynes, who came first on the list, will propose the Public Entertainment Licence Bill today. The Bill would give courts new powers to close clubs where police have found evidence of drugs. The parents of Leah Bert, who died after taking Ecstacy on a night out. are helping to launch the Bill. Mr Legg said yesterday: "The threat of immediate suspension of license will force un-

clean up or be shut down," Dr Robert Spink, MP for Castle Point, who came third, is launching his Bill with Mr Howard on Monday. The Confiscation of Alcohol of Underage Drinkers Bill will give the police powers to seize alcohol from the under-18s.

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Two Bills to improve the Prison Service have been drawn up. John Ward is introducing the Prisoners ers sex tourism, and a stalking Testing For Alcohol Bill, Bill.

THE Home Secretary is deter- this will be the ultimate test to which would allow officers to test prisoners under suspicion. The DNA Profiling of Prisoners Bill, which would give police powers to take genetic fingerprints from prisoners convicted of violent or sexual crime, will be retrospective and is being piloted by Nigel Evans, MP for Ribble Valley. David Evennett. MP for Erith and Crayford, has asked

to take through a Bill to allow police to keep property that has been lost, stolen or seized if it cannot be returned to its owners. The measure would allow the police to use the property or give it to charity. Ray Whitney, MP for Wyc-ombe, will take through a

small Bill to give police the same protection enjoyed by the private sector under health and safety regulations.

Bob Hughes, Tory MP for Harrow West, is promoting a

Bill to prevent paedopohile prisoners from distributing details of their case histories. The only Home Office Bill that has no sponsor is the measure to outlaw dissidents conspiring to bring about "substantive acts" abroad.

This will be the most compli-

cated but three MPs are vying

to put it forward.

Mr Howard's own Bills include the Crime (sentencing) Bill, the Police Bill, the Firearms (amendments) Bill, the Sex Offenders Bill, which cov-



George Stephanopoulos: Labour says it recognises his campaigning talents but has made no plan to use them

Labour denies hiring Clinton aide

By JAMES LANDALE AND TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON

THE Labour leadership sought yesterday to play down suggestions that George Stephanopoulos, a prominent adviser to President Clinton, would play a substantial role in the party's general election campaign.

Officials said that he might spend a few days giving spin-doctors the benefit of his experience in securing two election victories for Bill Clinton. But they emphasised that nothing had been arranged and that he would not be joining the Labour payroll.

In Washington, an exhausted Mr Stephanopoulos denied everything. "The

only thing that is true is that I have no plans. I have great respect for Tony Blair. If at some point they want me to talk about the lessons of the Clinton campaign, I would only be too happy to do so. But they have not made any approaches and I have not approached them."

Labour officials, however, were eager

to heap praise on him. The Labour leader's office said: "He is a man of considerable talent and we would be delighted to examine ways in which his talents could be used."

Mr Stephanopoulos. 35, became famous across America as the youthful communications director for the 1992 Clinton presidential campaign. He has close links with Philip Gould, a leading

son, the party's chief election planner. Mr Gould would not comment but Mr Mandelson told ITN: "I hope he will contribute his advice and his ideas, but he won't be working for us. I don't think he'll have the time and the inclination to Mr Stephanopoulos would be more

likely to offer advice on campaigning strategy rather than day-to-day tactics. Labour is particularly keen to learn how President Clinton avoided being dragged into negative campaigning.

The Tories accused Labour of lacking

originality. "The party is so short of ideas that they have to import them from

Commons to vote soon on code for ministers

By Valerie Elliott WHITEHALL EDITOR

MINISTERS are to be subject to a new code that will set out their responsibilities to Parliament. All-party talks on the details are to begin shortly and it is expected that MPs will vote on the code before the

general election.
Yesterday the Government agreed that there should be a rigorous policy on openness in Parliament, but rejected proposals for a freedom of information Act. The Prime Minister also protected his right to hire and fire ministers, vetoing any move towards automatic dismissal for anyone who knowingly misled MPs.

However, the decision to bind ministers by a parlia-mentary code represents a significant shift and has clearly been agreed in the light of criticisms from Sir Richard Scott in his controversial report on arms sales to Iraq.

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Yesterday Giles Radice, Labour chairman of the Select Committee on Public Services. welcomed the planned code and urged the party leaders to put it on the statute books as soon as possible. I am pleased the Government have accepted the principle and believe it will be really valuable to enhance parliamentary

democracy," he said. But Labour leaders criticised the Government's lack of commitment to freedom of information. Derek Foster, Shadow Public Services Minister, promised that a Labour government would introduce such a Bill. He said: "Greater access to government information ought to be an entitlement for every citizen. What have the Conservatives got to nide? What are they afraid of?

Ministers also rejected a proposal from the Select Committee on Public Service to allow civil servants the right to speak for themselves when questioned by MPs on matters of government policy. The committee wanted civil servants, including chief lexecutives of Next Steps agencies, to be subject to the same parlia-Government believes that such a development would lead to civil servants becoming embroiled in political debate.

The Government's: response, drawn up under the guidance of Sir Robin Butler, the Cabinet Secretary, said: The Government could not view such a development as compatible with its commitpolitical civil service."

Ministers also resisted a proposal to convert government agencies into statutory bodies to make the chief

MPs must assert their rights to a role worth playing

sir Humphrey Appleby lives. The eminence grise of Yes Minister would have been proud of the Government's responses yesterday to the proposals from two Commons committees on strengthening ministerial accountability and open government. They are classic exercises in elegant Whitehall equivocation, adopting a positive tone in principle, accepting key symbolic reforms, but tail in defending existing

access to government docu-ments and a freedom of information Act

The Public Service Committee produced a wide-ranging report in late July over the meaning of accountability to the Commons in the wake of the sacking of Derek Lewis , as head of the Prison Service in October last year and the Scott report on the Iraqi arms affair. The committee tried to cut t debate among constitutional theologians which has tended RIDDELL ON POLITICS

to let both ministers and civil servants off the hook, Instead. the committee sought to pin ministers down by proposing, for the first time, that Parliament itself should define what is required from ministers in the Commons resolution, and this should, crucially, include civil servants and chief executives of executive agencies nce to mons and its committees. This would have dealt with some of

the obfuscation identified by the Scott and Iraqi gun

inquiries.
The Government says it "shares the committee's view that there could be value in the House's making explicit how it expects ministers to discharge their responsibilities to Parliament". This is an important advance, part of the gradual life during the past few years. Roger Freeman, Chancellor of

now conduct talks with the main opposition spokesmen. Derek Foster and Alex Carlile, and in the Lords about the wording of a motion. Giles Radice, chairman of the Public Service Committee, is writing to the party leaders asking them to ensure that a motion is brought before the Commons as soon as possible.

However, the Government wants the resolution to be current position. In particular, it rejects any mention of civil

this would weaken the line of accountability from civil servants to ministers to Parliament. The Government emphasises that civil servants give evidence not in a personal capacity but as representatives of their ministers. This preserves the fiction that civil servants have no real existence and could inhibit inquiries by committees into government actions — for instance, quesnot a matter of revealing private advice by civil servants on policy, but of examining actions and decisions after they have been taken. A future Derek Lewis would be no more able to explain himself.

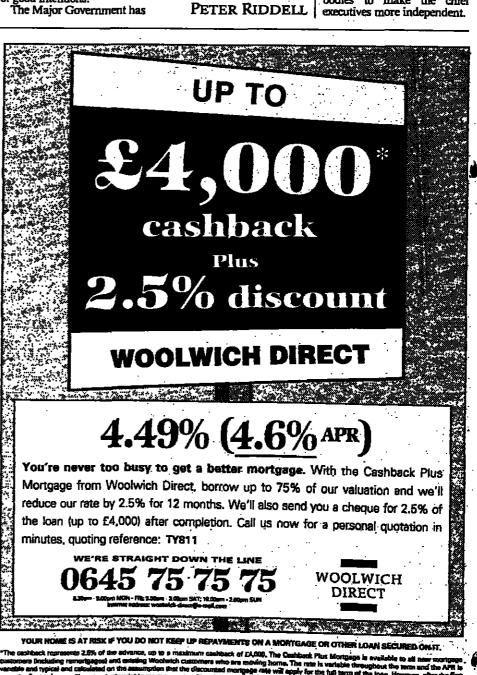
Apart from the predictable jection of a freedom of information Act, the Government is also wary of making more explicit the relations between ministers and heads of executive agencies, brushing aside specific suggestions petween general expressions of good intentions.

the affairs of Whitehall, but yesterday's responses show that it is determined to draw a line to prevent future incursions by Parliament. By chance, Lord Nolan, who has done more to change the Commons than any MP in the past 20 years, last night gave the first of a series of Radcliffe lectures at Warwick University on "The Legislature". Amid a number of thoughtful whether Parliament performs its role of sustaining the executive better than holding the executive to task. He suggested a fresh look at the role of select committees.

Yesterday's Government responses show why the Commons itself needs to be more active in asserting its rights, not least, as Lord Nolan suggested, "to restore MPs" own confidence that they have a valuable and meaningful role to perform in contributing to good government".



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Army honours teenage soldier who held the line

BY MICHAEL EVANS EFEVEE CORRESPONDENT

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Praised Major Meyer, left, and Private Mitchell

Yesterday's Mention in Dis-patches — awarded for opera-

pannes — awarded for opera-tional gallantry — said that Private Mitchell turned to face the time point, ignoring his come safety, and returned small areas fire while the remainder of the patrol were

Private Mitchell, a bachelor,

now serving in Germany.

able to wandraw to cover".

diers were cobject and pre-pared to defend themselves". The private who joined the army at 11, had been sent to northeast Bosma with his regiment, the 2nd Battalion The Light Infantsy. Nato-led forces had taken over from United Nations treops and tensions were high between former warring factions, despite the Dayton peace accord Private Minchell's foot

He was among about 100 Service personnel given awards in yesterday's list. The patrol was at a checkpoint on the ceasefire line near Sanski highest award went to Major Most in January this year when the Serbs opened fire. David Meyer, of the Army Air Corps. He was given the Air

attempt after a British Spartan armoured vehicle was crippled by an anti-tank mine.

Major Meyer, 34, attached to 845 Naval Air Squadron based at Gornji Vakut, landed his Sea King helicopter despite a high risk that the downwash from the rotor blades could detonate other mines. Major Meyer, married with two children, had to operate in the dark and in a thickly forested area to reach the vehicle's three crew, who were found to be dead. Trooper Michael Braithwaite, 21, who had been driving a Scimitar armoured vehicle behind the Spartan, was awarded the Queen's Commendation for Bravery for trying to reach the crew through flames.

A Territorial Army mem-Corporal Joanne Tamblyn, 29, from Rudyard, Staffordshire, was awarded a Oueen's Commendation for Valuable Service. She gave up her job as an air hostess with Monarch Airlines to serve with the Adjutant General's Corps as a military clerk in Bosnia, working on "stressful" communication links between the rival factions.



Air hostess serving peace: Corporal Tamblyn

Judge rebukes Lilley for not paying benefit

THE Government might have to pay millions of pounds in benefits to blind or deaf people after a High Court judge ruled that Peter Lilley, the Social Security Secretary, had exceeded his powers by withholding them.

Mr Justice Laws, ruling in favour of Paul Sutherland, 18, a partially blind student at Aberystwyth University, rebuked ministers who breached their constitutional role. He refused leave to appeal and said that the Social Security Secretary had been engaged in "an illegitimate exercise".

Mr Sutherland's mother had won a ruling from an adudication officer in January 1995 that he was entitled to disability living allowance, now worth £31 a week. That right had been established in an earlier ruling involving a deaf girl. His benefit was withheld while Mr Lilley appealed against the earlier decision.

Mr Lilley lost that case in the Court of Appeal in June 1995 and decided to appeal to the House of Lords, where a hearing is expected next continued to withhold payments from Mr Sutherland, of Swansea, and 50,000 other blind and deaf people.

Mr Lilley was using a provi sion of the 1987 Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations, which the judge yes-terday condemned as outside the law. The judge warned ministers: "Where the executive has been allowed by the legislature to make law, it must abide strictly by the terms of its delegated authority." David Thomas, lawyer for

the Child Poverty Action Group, which represented Mr Sutherland, who is owed £2,000, said: "This regulation is not now available to the Secretary of State in future cases where he is unhappy with a court ruling in a particular case.

it always seemed to us quite wrong that claimants should be denied ongoing benefit, to which they have a legal entitlement, just because a court in another case might at some time in the future interpret the law differently."

Ronay puts the knife into Christmas cakes

MOIT shop-bought Christ-masakes are little better than tarto-up teacakes, says the food ritic Egon Ronay. In a blindtasting of supermarket cakes Mr Ronay found only one thich earned his wholehearti approval: the Co-op's Luxui Christmas Cake at £9.49 r L36 kg, "the only rich cake thich spells Christmas".

Helays Harrods' was too sweet Sainsbury's had rubbery ling and Asda's was dry. Tesco "inferior" Lunary Roy-al led Christmas Cake earnedewest marks.

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(£1.99 honoless), pump steak £2.99 hb, salman steaks £1.99 lb, Royal Gala apples 39p lb, green seeded graines 49p lb. Salways, seeded graines 49p lb. Salways, seeded £1.69 for 284g, frankhirters 99p for 350g, prawns: £4.79 for 2X 450g, chicken kurma £1.99 for 340g.

prawns - 54.79 for 2 X 450g, chicken korma £1.99 for 340g, Conference pears 39p h, pomegranates 18p each. Sainsbury's, beef rump £5.78 kg, pork boneless shoulder joint £2.89 kg, whole trout £2.65 for £5.00 kg, whole £5.00 kg. chalder £5.09 kg, cauliflowers 30p each, white sected grapes

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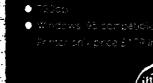
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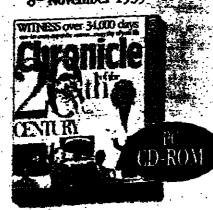
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Blow to rivals as Yeltsin quick to get back on his feet

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN MOSCOW

PRESIDENT YELTSIN reas- to infuriate his Communist sured Russians yesterday that he was back in control of the country, as doctors reported that he was now able to walk by himself.

"Dear Russians, I am happy to inform you that the operation was successful," he said in a statement released by the Kremlin. "I am back at work again." Although he will remain in intensive care for at least one more day, he may be moved to the more comfortable surroundings of the near-by Kremlin hospital if doctors are satisfied that there are no complications after his heart

bypass operation. Certainly, the operation did not appear to dampen the Russian leader's eagerness to get back into the political fray and he moved quickly to take on his hardline opponents as they marched in their thousands to celebrate the 79th anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution. In a move bound

rivals, the President signed a decree officially changing the traditional "Revolution Day" holiday into a "Day of Con-cord and Reconciliation". Communist symbols, which still remain across Russia, will be replaced by monuments to the millions of victims of

Soviet rule. "To this day our people are divided into reds and whites." said the Kremlin leader in a written address. "It is time to close the book. We have one Russia and we must be united.

His calls for reconciliation won little sympathy with the hardline Communist demonstrators who turned out in their tens of thousands across Russia's main cities, and even the former Soviet republics of Belarus and Ukraine, to mourn the collapse of the communism. In Moscow about 20,000 mainly elderly marchers, many clutching red

flags or posters of Lenin and Stalin, called for Mr Yeltsin's removal and the restoration of

the Soviet empire.
Gennadi Zyuganov, the
Communist Party leader, said
the present administration would lead the country to chaos or dictatorship. The chaos or dictatorship. country is on the brink of an abyss," said the ruddy-faced Communist leader as he was cheered by crowds outside the

The opposition has so far failed to capitalise on Mr Yeltsin's prolonged absence from office and they may now have missed their chance. Michael DeBakey, the pioneering American heart surgeon who is part of the medical team attending Mr Yeltsin, said that the Kremlin leader "was out of the woods" and could be expected to make a full recovery within the coming weeks. "You are going to see a vigorous leader," he



Communists carry portraits of Lenin and Soviet-era flags past a Moscow advertisement as they march to mark the 79th anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution

No early relief for space crew

By NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

STUCK in space with toilets close to overflowing, the Russian-American team aboard the Mir space station were yesterday given the bad news that it will be at least February before they can return to

A cash shortage means that a replacement crew of two Russians and a German cannot now be launched in the middle of next month as originally intended. Officials at mission control outside Moscow said the financial problems had delayed pro-duction of the Soyuz booster rockets needed to launch a replacement crew.

The news may not have come as much of a surprise to John Blaha, the American on board, and Valery Korzun and Aleksandr Koleri, his Russian colleagues, who have been on board the ten-yearold Mir since September 19. Last month the launch of an unmanned craft that was intended to bring them food, because of the cash crisis.

Mir has never been noted for its creature comforts, but this mission is going slightly well than usual. The

problem with the dispusa of effluent has been caused by the failure of the device hat usually recycles it into the cooling system, and all the reserve containers are sow nearly full, the interfex news agency said.

New waste containers were to have been launched last month, but the mission has been delayed until after the middle of this month. There should be a pump to trasfer the waste into the coling system, but the crew has been unable to find it, the agracy quoted an unidentified surce

as saying.

Mars missions: The fist of a trio of satellites boun for Mars left the launch pd at Cape Canaveral yesterdy at the start of its ten-routh journey. Mars Global Surveyor, delayed for a da by bad weather, was laurhed successfully soon after non local time. It should zach Mars next September. After six months of getting in the correct orbit, it will egin mapping the Martian suizce. It will be followed in tenlays by the Russian Mars 96 robe and by the American fars Pathfinder next month.



lliescu: poor prospects in presidential run-off

Poll pact may defeat Iliescu

joined forces yesterday in an attempt to oust the incumbent Ion Iliescu in presidential elections and to complete the rout of former Communists after their defeat in parlia-

mentary polls. The pact pledges support to Emil Constantinescu, who came second in the opening round of the presidential poll to Iliescu, Romania's leader since 1989. The two men will compete in a run-off poll on November 17.

Mr lliescu is urging voters to re-elect him as President to preserve stability and to soften the social impact of reform. (Reuter)

Icelandic floods run up £10m bill

FROM REUTER IN REYKJAVIK

ICELAND yesterday estimated that the flooding prompted by a sub-glacial volcano had caused more than £10 million damage, and scientists issued a warning that more eruptions were possible in the remote

The melt flow from a take in southeastern iceland under the Vatnajokuli icefield, Europe's largest glacier, was returning to normal two days after a torrent of black sulphurous water and debris flooded an uninhabitated olain, media reports said.

The torrent, which pushed hundreds of huge chunks of ice several miles, smashed bridges and swept away power lines and parts of the 22mile stretch of Iceland's coastal ring-road. snakes past the glacier.

Hreinn Haraldsson, the director of research and development at the Public Road Administration, said temporary bridges would be built in six to eight weeks to restore traffic on the road. "It will then take one to two years to rebuild the bridges," he said. Scientists said more eruptions could take place beneath the glacier, which covers two of Iceland's most active



Bundesbank chief 'sabotaging EMU'

FROM PETER BILD IN BONN

AN ASTONISHING attack has been made on Dr Hans Tietmeyer, the Bundesbank president, accusing him of running an assiduous campagn to prevent a single currency and to sabotage Chancellor Helmut Kohl's drive for European inte-

In an open letter in the in-fluential weekly *Die Zeit*, Helmut Schmidt, the former Chancellor, says Dr Tietmeyer is damaging his country's international interests and stirring up fears that it is trying to dominate Europe. Herr Schmidt accuses the Bundesbank president of trying to run "a state within a

The core of Herr Schmidt's case is that Dr Tietmeyer's repeated insistence on "strict adherence" to specific financial criteria for EMU distorts the Maastricht treaty and is designed to prevent the euro's launch in 1999. He says Dr Tietmeyer has falsely tried to persuade the public that the be responding to the attack.

convergence criteria are abso-

The Maastricht protocol sets out six criteria for joining a single currency. The most widely quoted would exclude nations whose total public sector deficit exceeds 3 per cent of GDP. Whether single currencies are "in" or "out" will be determined on the basis of 1997 data. Herr Schmidt says the

Bundesbank president cruarticle 104c of the EU treaty. inserted by Maastricht, allows European government leaders wide scope in deciding EMU membership without reference to the criteria.

The European Union will decide on EMU's founder members in early 1998.

Herr Schmidt says that Dr Tietmeyer gives the clear impression that he does not want EMU in 1999, despite claiming to favour currency union.

A Bundesbank spokesman said Dr Tietmeyer would not

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Bhutto allowed to meet her detained husband

BENAZIR EHUTTO was financial calamity. The bank allowed to meet her multimillionaire husband. Asif Ali Zardari, at 2am yesterday in a remote boarding house 30 miles from Islamabad, where he is being held under armed guard without charge. The ousted Pakistani Prime

Minister has been ordered to leave her official mansion within a week: a humiliating end to three years in power, which could be her last

Miss Bhutto, jailed and exiled by former military rulers, returned home a heroine eight years ago and now leaves office in disgrace. Editorial writers generally applaud her departure: the judiciary, the Army, the President and most of the press have long since lost faith in her. The caretaker Government that will lead the country to fresh elections yesterday began exploring ways of saving the precarious economy.

Javed Burki, who is vicepresident of the World Bank, will return home to head the Finance Ministry, a government official announced. The country is on the edge of

accounts of the state-owned Pakistan Steel Mill are known to have been plundered by a Miss Bhutto's husband, formerly the Minister for hivestments. The Governmentowned Pakistan International Airlines and the nationalised banks are also in financial

difficulty> ** * Nearly 20 political-appointee ambassadors have been told that their positions have

been terminated and they judges and other prominent should return home. The new authorities are moving swiftly to bring corruption cases against Mr Zardari, known as "Mr 10 per cent" because of the commissions he allegedly demanded from investors.

His conduct was one of the key factors in the decision to dismiss Miss Bhutto. He is believed to have been responsible for ordering the Intelli-gence Bureau to tap the telephones of ministers,



Miss Bhutto, sacked because of Mr Zardari's conduct

people Sajjad Ali Shah, the Chief Justice, complained that he had been harassed and his telephone tapped after he refused to confirm the appointment of a Zardari nominee as a senior judge. President Leghari discov-

ered that the telephones of two of his sons were tapped - as were many of the phones of half the Cabinet. Both he and the Army were appalled. This was compounded by Miss Bhutto's reckless public statements, in which she implied that the President and the Army were behind the killing of Murtaza Bhutto, her brother and political rival, in Sep-

The Government last night announced austerity mea-sures, including halving of ministers' salaries, a ban on use of government funds for medical treatment abroad and curbs on the use of official cars. Miraj Khalid, the acting Prime Minister, continues to live in his modest two-bedroom house in Islamabad, which has been temporarily declared the official residence.



Ryutaro Hashimoto before he was re-elected as Prime Minister to head a minority Government

Japanese leader keeps Cabinet posts in 'family'

From Robert Whymant in tokyo

JAPAN returned to Liberal Democratic Party rule yesterday as the newly re-elected Prime Minister, Ryutaro Hashimoto, appointed a Cabinet in the traditional fashion, parcelling out ministerial posts among rival LDP clans heirs to political

dynasties. Mr Hashimoto, 59, was elected to a second term by both houses of the Diet with the support of its outgoing coalition partners, the Social Democratic Party and the Sakigake Party. Those two groups have agreed to back him on key legislation but will

remain outside the Cabinet. This leaves the LDP entirely in control for the first time since losing its 38-year monopoly of power in July 1993. However, the end of the coalition also means that Mr Hashimoto heads a minority Government with a tentative hold on power. In last month's election the LDP strengthened its position in the lower house but remained 12 seats short of

an overall majority.

Reverting to old and discredited habits, the LDP shared out Cabinet jobs among its five factions, or clans, beholden to vested interest groups, a system that fostered corruption. Mr Hashimoto belongs to the biggest faction, led by Keizo Obuchi, the former LDP Vice-President, which seized six Cabinet posts - the largest

number. The Cabinet, which the Prime Minister said he had appointed on merit, was criticised yesterday as a "daddy's boy administration". Shinji Sato, the new Trade and Industry Minister; Taro Aso. the new Economic Planning Minister, and Yukihiko Ikeda, retained as Foreign Minis-

ter, are the son, grandson and adopted son respectively of three postwar Japanese Prime

However, the appointments merely reflect the make-up of the lower house, where more than a third of the LDP's 239 seats are "inherited", like Mr Hashimoto's, from fathers or

other relatives. "It's rather as if the clock has been turned back three years and as if the interlude when the LDP was briefly in opposition before forming a coalition Government, never happened," said Ryu Otomo, a political commentator.

After his re-election Mr Hashimoto vowed to fulfil his poll pledges, including cutting the powers of the bureaucracy. and deregulating the economy. However, a potentially damaging scandal cast doubt on the new Government's ability to carry out reform.

Prosecutors yesterday arrested Junichi Izui, an oil wholesaler, on suspicion of evading a huge amount of income tax. Mr Izui had a broad network of influential bureaucrats and politicians and it is alleged that some of the proceeds from dubious oil transactions flowed into the coffers of some leading members of the LDP.

It is remembered that the LDP ruled Japan for 38 years in collusion with big business and the bureaucracy, a relationship blamed for the corruption in politics.

☐ Cult eviction: Shoko Asahara, the doomsday cult guru accused of a deadly Tokyo subway gas attack in which 12 people died, was thrown out of his own trial yesterday when he turned the proceedings into a near-farce with repeated interruptions and incoherent remarks. (Reuter)

Tasmanian gunman alters plea to guilty

FROM ROGER MAYNARD IN SYDNEY

AUSTRALIANS breathed a some of the victims' relatives collective sigh of relief yester- who were visibly distressed as day after the man accused of they sat in the public gallery. incident changed his plea to

Martin Bryant, 28, smirked and chuckled as he admitted killing 35 people and wounding many others with a highpowered rifle at the former penal colony of Port Arthur in Tasmania on April 28. During the 20-minute hearing in Tasmania's Supreme Court, Bryant sat behind a bullet-proof screen and mumbled "guilty"

to each of the 72 charges he At one stage he began to giggle as he turned around to

client's behaviour. Bryant's lawyer, John Avery, QC, mo-tioned to the defendant to stop.

After the hearing Mr Avery said of the changed plea: "All I can say is we have been doing a lot of talking over the past few weeks and I am gratified that the right decision has

been made. "I hope it allays people's concerns as to the trauma of having a trial."

Judge William Cox adjourned the case to November 19 for a plea of mitigation and

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Paris condemns 'spineless' nations in Zaire conflict

FROM BEN MACINITYRE IN PARIS

FRANCE yesterday virtually accused Britain of "spineless ness" for failing to back its proposal to send a multinato protect a million refugees threatened by ethnic fighting.

"I'm knocking on doors, asking if anyone is prepared to shoulder their responsibilities. The answer is: 'Could you come back tomorrow?' or 'We might lend an aircraft'." Herve de Charene, the French Foreign Minister, complained in a television interview. "The main obstacle is the international community's spine-

Last night, Baroness Chalker of Wallasey, the Overdismissed M de Charette's remarks as daft. "He ought to find out what the facts are before he accuses people of things," she said as she arrived for a meeting of European Union aid ministers in Brussels to discuss the situation in

Coming just hours before a Franco-British summit in Bordeaux. M de Charette's remarks have been interpreted

in any intervention in Zaire, but so far only Spain and Ethiopia have agreed to con-tribute troops.

M de Charette said he believed there was still time to mount a multinational force, but insisted "it should have been done already". France is considering plans to take over and Bukavu, seized by Tutsi rebels, to fly in emergency food and supplies, according

to French press reports. The French Foreign Minisequipment were already being assembled at French military bases in Africa but the Defence Ministry said forces could begin moving into the area within three days after getting the go-ahead from the United Nations.

President Mobutu of Zaire, who is recuperating from cansouth of France, has said he supports a multinational in-

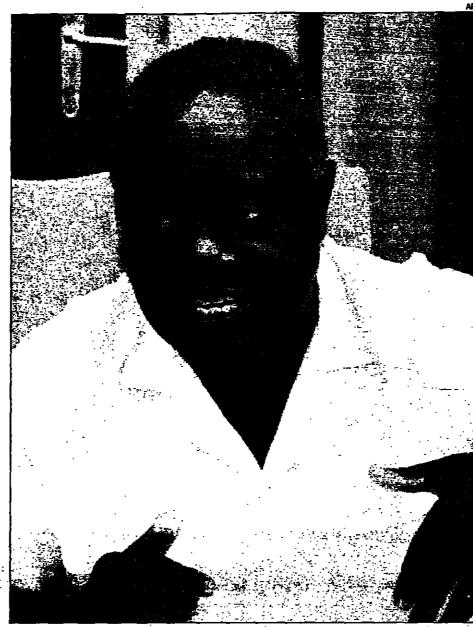
ing food in the war zone in Zaire to encourage the refu-gees to go home. "We are isations to stop distributing any aid to the refugees on Zairean soil. Instead, they must distribute aid in Rwanda and Burundi," a spokesman

DBrussels: The European Union appealed last night to the UN Security Council to give urgent authority to an international peacekeeping force in the Great Lakes region to open the way to EU relief to Rwandan refugees (Charles Bremner writes).

Ministers from the 15 EU corridors were established by the force under discussion at

The humanitarian operasaid Emma Bonforeign aid. "We have plenty of food and medicine, transport and personnel in the area. We are ready but we are being barred from going in," she

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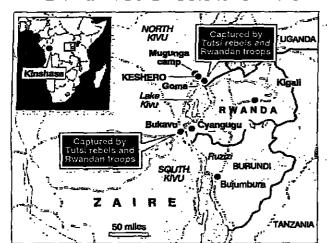


Laurent Kabile, the political leader of the rebel forces fighting in Zaire, speaks to the press in Bukavu this week. His soldiers control eastern Zaire near Rwanda

Chirac asserts moral authority in show of force

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FRANCE has demanded international support for its plan to send troops into eastern Zaire to prevent a humanitarian disaster, but the proposal springs from a peculiarly French view of its world role in which intervention in Africa is seen as a traditional right as much as a moral duty.

France has never been slow to deploy troops in Africa: over a year ago French paratroopers swiftly ended an attempted military coup in the Comoros and last year French tanks were on the streets of Bangui in the Central African Republic, g down rebellious army troops

However, the experience of Operation Turquoise in 1994 in Rwanda, which was criticised as a move in support of France's former Hutu allies and a

region, has prompted a more careful mach this time. President Chirac has said France will not intervene without the participation of other main powers. most notably America, while emphasising that France, interests are strictly humanitarian.

Djibouti and the Central African Republic and at least 6,000 troops based in six African states, France is well placed to provide the backbone of any intervention force. Petace has stepped in to help

since the 1960s, and Africa remains the stage on which France is happiest to demonstrate its remaining dout. For although France's paternalist perception

furtherance of French interests in the has altered somewhat in recent years, it is still imbedded in the national self-image.

The concept of la francophonie, the association of French-speaking countries around the world, is a cherished and powerful one. In Africa, France's zone of influence, political and economic as well as linguistic and cultural, includes not only its former colonies but also former Belgian colonies such as Zaire and Rwanda By taking the lead in calls for malitary intervention. M. Chirac has prevent massive loss of life in Zaire, but itwill also cement the image M Chirac covets as a new de Gaulle in Africa.

African response to crisis seen as 'ideal' solution By MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

FRANCE'S call for an international intervention force to protect refugees in Zaire is ikely to receive a cool rese from Britain.

The French proposal will be one of the main topics at today's Anglo-French summit ish officials have been extremely reticent about the proposal; privately many dismiss it as impractical and likely to draw Western forces into a quagmire from which they would not be able to withdraw easily or quickly.

Malcolm Rifkind, the For-

eign Secretary, called Presi-dent Chirac's suggestion "a important proposal" which would be closely examsaid Britain shared the deep concern of France and other countries over the deterioration of the situation in Zaire and Rwanda, and wanted to discuss whether additional help would be needed. Howevhe noted that African countries were due to hold

their own crisis summit Mr Rifkind has been careful not to voice any objection to the French proposal and to to discuss the details, but officials in London make no secret of their doubts. The main difficulty. Whitehall be-lieves, is that the mission is

senior official asked. "You don't just send in troops and should do." Such an argument as a former Defence Secretary force in Bosnia-Herzegovina, and shared the Army's conviction that the United Nations

is that France is not proposing to open routes back to Rwanda for the Hutu refugees, as urged by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refuflee further into the interior. The ideal outcome would be an African response," a senior British official said.

The other, unspoken, object tion is that France is widely cide of the Tutsis. A French-led force would have no credibility with the Governments of Rwanda or Burundi, or with the Tutsi Banyamulenge rebels in Zaire.

Treatment time raises concern for Mobutu

PRESIDENT MOBULU is said to have been having treatment for prostatic cancer for several months. Even in the West more than 50 per. nosed only after the turnour has spread beyond the gland.

The length of treatment time makes it unlikely his cancer was detected when confined within the prostate. If it was cai radiothei week courses of radiation, or a patients may be in hospital for as little as seven days. In

be treated with radiotherapy. Recovery may last for a year or two buit in some cases, such as President Mitterrand or Sir Laurence Olivier, the patient

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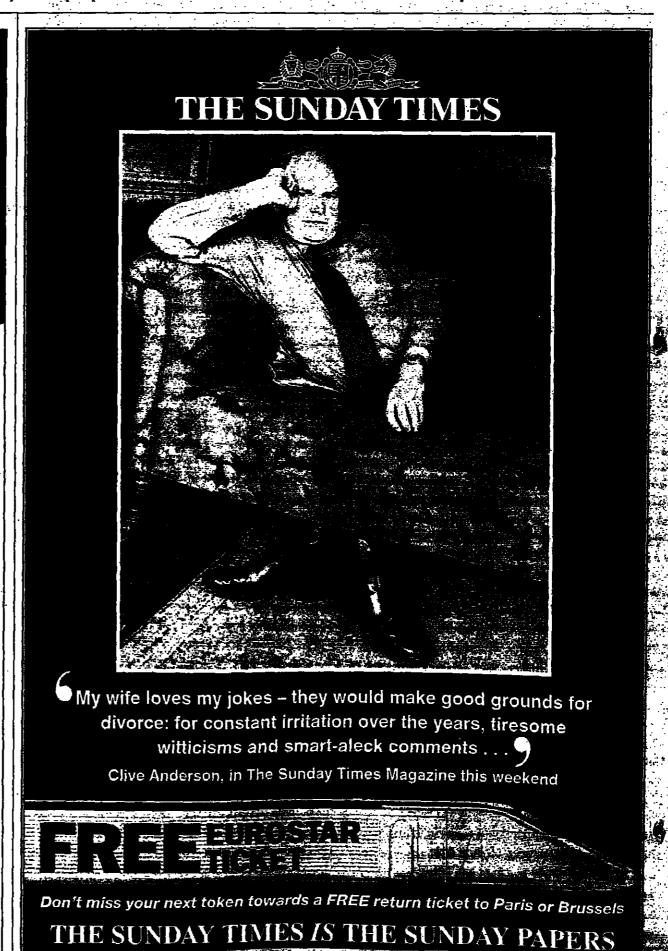
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Fighting recalls Rwandan genocide and shows that few lessons have been learnt

Nightmare relived as tribal killings continue unchecked

DRIVING towards the front line between the rebels and the Rwandan Hutus yesterday. my stomach churned with a

mixture of fear and hunger. Three days of living off one bunch of bananas in a town cut off from the rest of the country and paralysed by fear leaves one queasy. I was confronted with a vision of almost unimaginable horror. with villagers telling me that their tribal brothers are kidnapping their children and holding them as hostages inside Mugunga. I am back, I

In May 1994 I was sneaking in behind the then Rwandan government lines in the dead of night. In one 15-mile stretch Tutsi bodies were only three yards apart, on both sides of the road. Hutu militiamen, covered in blood and drunk on slaughter, slobbered against the car window and mistook my shaven head for that of a French legionnaire. "Vous êtes en mission?" "Oui". They waved me through, believing I was on their side. Had I been a French soldier, they would have been correct. France was as culpable in

genocide of a million people as the nastiest the Vichy regime locaust. Now the French Government is describing failure to intervene to pro-

tect the perpetrators of the genocide -- crammed in the Mugunga camp in eastern Zaire — as "spineless", and is leaning on Britain to abet in what would amount to a crime

In June, 1994, as part of Operation Turquoise - the French "humanitarian intervention" in Rwanda - SASstyle troops flew into Butare hours before the Tutsi rebels took the city. They rescued Theonestre Bagasora, Rwanda's Himmler, the chief architect of the genocide. The French wanted him safely out of enemy hands so that he would not divulge how his murderous forces were armed and trained.

France established zone Turquoise - 5,000 Hutu soldiers and 100,000 militiamen were protected by their cordon sanitaire, or fled, fully armed, into Zaire.

Between July and Septem-ber 1994, weapons paid for by the French were flown into Goma. where the Hutus estab-

Sam Kiley, living in fear near Zaire's front line, argues that foreign military intervention would be criminal

tection of French soldiers.

human rights.

would be criminal.

lished an iron-handed extremist administration, in defiance of a United Nations arms embargo. The local French consul said: "The contract is dated from before the embargo, and should be fulfilled." Meanwhile the UN refused calls to separate Hutu extremist leaders from ordinary civilians, granting armed murde-rers refugee status.

A year later in Kibeho, central Rwanda, Tutsi soldiers in the Rwandan Patriotic Front lost their cool in a Hutu camp in central Rwanda. Stampeded by the Hutus and filled with hatred for people who murdered their families, and who then fled into Zaire and were protected by the French, they killed 1,500

people in a ghastly massacre. About 2,000 Hutus

were crammed into a quarter acre quadran-€ Western gle. The ground there was coated action could with faeces, protect the killers and undigested prolong the

> sitting on dead bodies. The dead were not killed by the Tutsis they had been macheted by their own leaders for trying to leave the compound under UN armed guard.

and ate them,

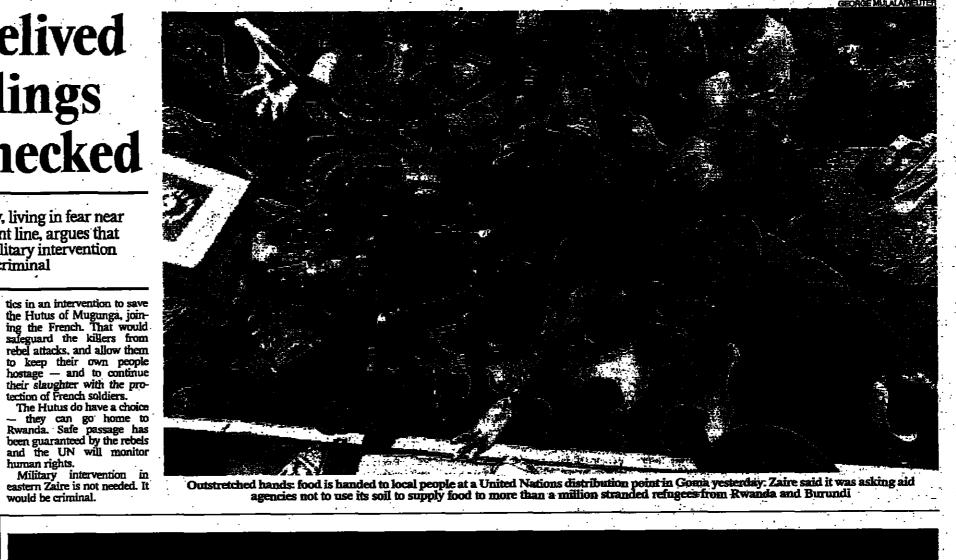
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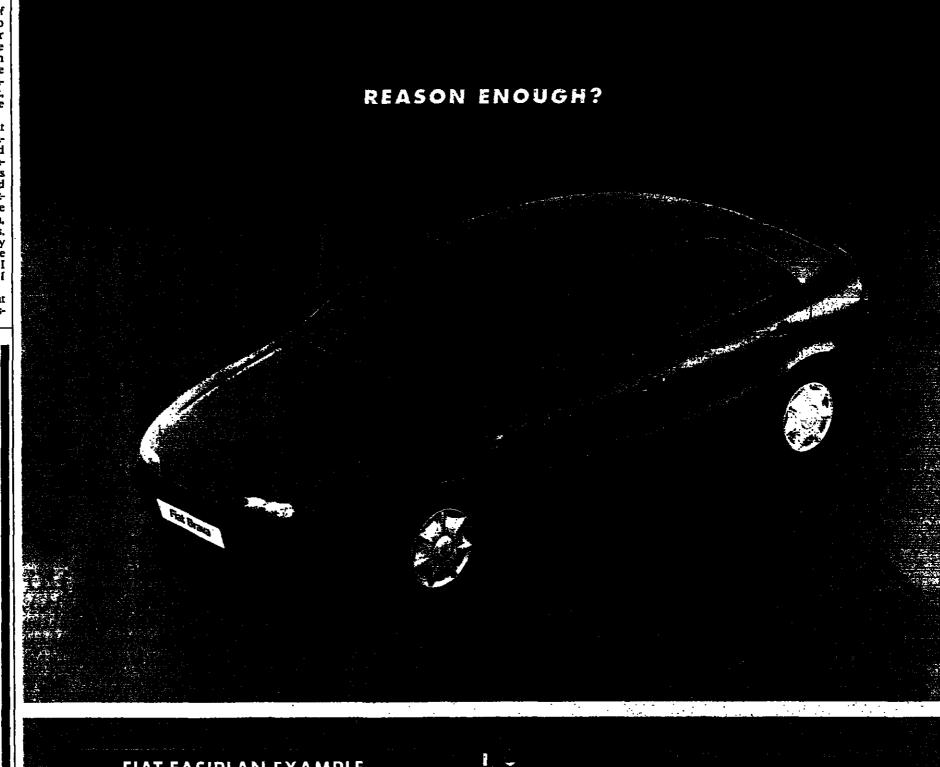
Their leaders, members of the Interahamwe (those who kill together), would rather hold their own people hostage than allow them to return home. They told their people that they would be slaugh-tered and, if that did not work, they chopped up the

In October this year, at Zaire's frontier post in Buka-vu, Zairois Tutsis fled, chased by blood-crazed Hutu militiamen. Unbelievably the Hutus of Rwanda have brainwashed some Zairois into orchestrat-

Tutsis. One of the militiamen, wearing a belt of grenades. chased a wealthy Tutsi family to the barrier. But at the border the family escaped. I started to weep and shake. I confess I wanted to kill him.

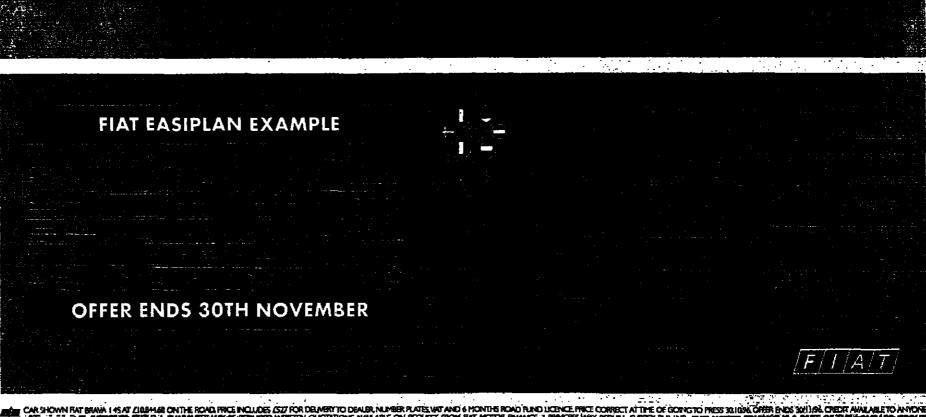
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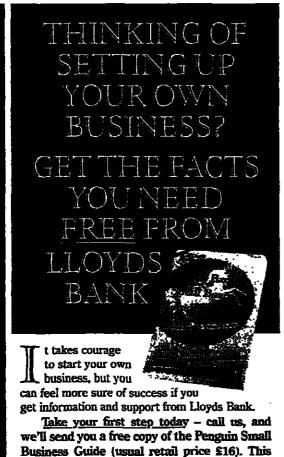




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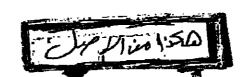




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Texaco in row over racial slurs

New York: Texaco. the international oil company and petrol distributor, is fighting for its corporate image after two senior American executives referred to blacks as "nig-gers" and "black jelly (Quentin Letts

The men were recorded in a 1994 meeting with another Texaco employee who later left the company and turned whistleblower. Texaco's chairman, national television and apologised.

Middle East peace should top agenda in US, says Rifkind

By MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

mentary to the Americans.* he

Britain is not calling for

pressure on Israel: officials

insist that this would be counter-productive, especially

if there was an attempt to use

Rifkind left no doubt in the

minds of Israeli and Arab

officials that he believes Amer-

ica should make clear to

Binyamin Netanyahu, the

Prime Minister, world con-

cern over the peace process.

He said that a deal on Hebron

deliver a policy success." a

senior official said. "He won't

cease to be sympathetic to

Israel, but I would be sur-

prised if he doesn't use his full

"Mr Clinton will want to

must be clinched soon.

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said on his return.

THE Middle East should be the main focus of the re-elected Clinton Administration, Britain believes. Following his visit to Jerusalem and the West Bank, Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, believes that unless America remains urgently involved, the peace process is in danger of col-

lapse. While Britain remained officially neutral in the American election, there are clear sighs of relief in Whitehall at Mr Clinton's re-election, if only because it ensures continuity in foreign policy. "The worst thing would have been a new administration that took three or four months to formulate policy on sensitive areas such as the Middle East," a senior official said.

During his recent visit to erusalem, Hebron and Gaza, Mr Rifkind repeatedly insisted that Europe should not attempt to compete with the Americans as facilitators in the Israeli-Palestinian peace authority to demand that Isranegoriations. "All the Arab el makes a greater effort to leaders I have met confirmed reach an accommodation that that they would like greater can be accepted by the European involvement in the Palestinians." Another area where Britain Middle East but have emphasised that it should be comple-

is hoping for American leadership is the honing of Nato's policy on enlargement. Britain hopes the Clinton Administration will step up efforts to convince Moscow that this does not threaten Russia. But officials recognise that negotiations will have to wait until President Yeltsin has recovered from surgery

☐ Jerusalem: in a deadly new tactic, Iranian-backed Hezbollah fighters in southern rocks made out of glass fibre to disguise roadside bombs against occupying Israeli troops (Christopher Walker writes). The "rock bombs", and half-inch ball bearings, can penetrate steel. They are



Gaza schoolchildren make their way home past graffiti depicting a Palestinian gunnan. Israeli intelligence believes an attack by fundamentalists is imminent

California court battles start over 'affirmative action' ban

FROM GILES WHITTELL IN LOS ANGELES

FOR the second time in two years, Californian voters have passed a racially divisive constitutional amendment only to see it immediately bogged down in high-level legal

wrangling.
Proposition 209 outlaws. state programmes giving pref- of Sam Francisco's lederal erence to ethnic minorities and courthouse by the time it lawsuits by civil rights groups tutional left experts predicting

it would be tied up in the courts until at least 1998. In a virtual replay of scenes tious 1994 anti-illegal immigration measure, lawyers from the American Civil Lib-

definitive ruling is issued. The Los Angeles City Council, which represents a volatile ethnic melting pot and bitterly opposed Proposition 209, has warned state authorities it plans to ignore the measure. That stand sets the stage for a erties Union were on the steps of San Francisco's lederal showdown with Pete Wilson: ernor, who has vowed to end ing. Top school, university have told staff to go on

tion" programmes until

Dredgers find TWA crash debris

of wreckage from the TWA Flight 800 disaster has been found by dredgers off New York's Long Island (Quentin Letts writes).

Crash investigators are still uncertain what caused the July 17 crash, which killed all 230 people aboard the Parisbound TWA Boeing 747, but hope that the unexpected new find, which had been buried by sand, will assist them.

Italian arrests

Turin: Police in Italy said they suspicion of supplying arms and other support to Algeria's radical Armed Islamic Group after raids on 60 homes in at least eight cities. (Reuter)

Fatal oil blast

Bangkok: At least 11 people died and 17 were injured when an illegal Thai oil depot ex-ploded in Rayong province, 90 miles from the capital. The cause of the blast was not known. (AP)

Lisbon blaze

Lisbon: A fire raged in Lis-g bon's City Hall for nearly three hours, destroying the roof and top floor of the 19th century, four-storey palace, one of the country's main tourist attractions. (AP)

Buried alive

Peking: Song Xuehui, 15, bur-ied his brother, 14, and sister, II, alive, believing that as a single child he would have a better chance of attending university. He claimed they had been kidnapped. (AP)

Water music

Bangkok: More than 2,000 chanting oarsmen braved torrential rains to hold a centuries-old barge procession to celebrate That King Bhumibol's fiftieth year on the throne. (Reuter)

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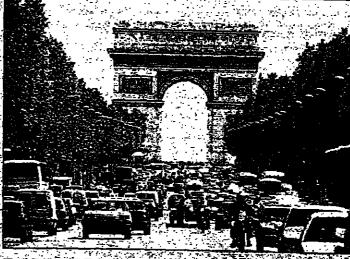
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US Congress set to give President a rougher ride

find a lot of common ground

For the moment, the ex-

tremes of both parties are silenced. As Patrick Kennedy,

a liberal Democrat congress-

man from Rhode Island puts

it, Mr Clinton "will undoubt-

edly leave many Democrats

on the more liberal end alien-

ated and disaffected". Promi-

nent Republicans such as

General Colin Powell are pre-

ing similar moderation on

One test of the Republican

party's commitment to the

Gingrich himself. Demonised

throughout the campaign, he

was an electoral liability, par-

ty insiders acknowledge. If he

survives as Speaker, they ex-

pect him to have a diminished

Above all, Congress will

force Mr Clinton to initiate

policy particularly on the political minefield of

their party.

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PRESIDENT CLINTON will need a working relationship with the new Republicancontrolled Congress. Yet behind the post-election talk of consensus from both sides, the ingredients are in place for Flour years of confrontation

Despite Mr Clinton's decisive re-election, the results were a shared victory that divided power between the White House and Congress.

Republicans were rejoicing yesterday at having retained both the House of Representatives and the Senate. "We will control all the committees. We'll control the legislative process," said Bill Paxon, a New York congressman and chairman of the National Republican Congressional

For the past two years, Mr Clinton wore the yoke of a Republican Congress lightly; it encouraged him to define himself as a moderate in contrast to the excesses of the radical House Republicans led by Newt Gingrich. But in his second term, the same circumstances look set to place him under formidable political and fiscal constraints.

A non-ideological politician facing a highly ideological Congress, he will also be under pressure to address the difficult policy questions that his first term succeeded in

The election are into the Republican House majority; when all results are in, the

spin, the single issue to emerge yesterday from the

American election was the

gred for both political parties

money that has swamped the

The most expensive election

in American history, which

cost more than twice as much

as the 1992 contest, ended with

the Democrats spending an

estimated \$250 million (£152 million) and the Republicans \$400 million on a lacklustre campaign that resulted in little

more than the status quo. For months Americans have

voiced a sense of national

revulsion at the lack of rules,

penalties or limits to combat

the wholesale purchase of

political influence and endless

in South Dakota to high-profile Senate races in New

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FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON AFTER all the speeches and influence. New revelations

227-207 with one independent, compared to the pre-election margin of 235-197 with one independent and two vacancies. But, despite the squeeze, Mr Gingrich's 1994 revolutionary freshmen proved un-expectedly resilient; of the 70 on the ballot, at least 55 have retained their seats.

The Senate has become more conservative; the Republican lead of 53-47 has grown by at least one seat. Many of those retiring were moderates; many replacing them, such as Sam Brownback, are from the conservative wing, closely al-lied with the religious Right.

Despite the conservative flavour which Congress has retained, both sides have spent the past 48 hours practising the unfamiliar vocabulary of peace-making. Mr Clinton has said that it is time to "put aside the politics of division"; and Democratic Party insiders are speculating that he may offer leading Republicans perhaps including Bob Dole -

places on crucial committees. Mr Gingrich, Speaker of the House, says he has had a very positive conversation with Mr Clinton" and that "we are now going to work

Mr Clinton and Mr Gingrich are right that there is a consensus to be built: both parties now know that electoral appeal lies in the centre ground. As Mr Gingrich puts it: "He campaigned on a balanced budget, lower taxes. welfare reform. That certainly Republican advantage may be sounds like something I could

> have appeared daily about the role of John Huang and James

Riady, two Asians closely allied to Mr Clinton. Mr

Huang, a senior executive

with Indonesia's Lippo

Group, later joined the Com-

merce Department and became a semor Democratic

fundraiser before he was

forced to stand down for the

dubious raising of \$9 million

for the party.
Mr Riady, a Lippo board

member and friend of the Clintons from Arkansas, visited the Whire House and, like

Mr Huang, received countless

individual briefings on American foreign intelligence.

and his aides wittingly grant-

ed political favours or sold

foreign policy in exchange for

large campaign contributions,

there is no doubt that during

countless visits to the White

House both men discussed policies beneficial to their

business interests in Jakarta.

The result has been a reas-

essment of how the country

should finance its elections.

There were calls yesterday for

Mr Clinton and a new Congress to abolish all "soft

money" gifts, to ban foreign

donations, eliminate political

action committees and impose

strict spending limits.

Whether or not Mr Clinton



Carolyn McCarthy hugs her son, Kevin, after defeating her pro-gun rival. Her husband died and Kevin is still partially paralysed after a random shooting

Widow's crusade for gun controls leads to poll win

FROM IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON

OF ALL the winners in the American election, none had a more emotional triumph than Carolyn McCarthy.

She is the widow whose fight for gun control after her husband's murder will now take her from her home town of Mineola on Long Island to a seat in the halls of Congress.

She trounced the Republican incumbent, Dan Frisa. who had unwisely voted to lift the ban on assault weapons. Just such a semi-automatic gun was wielded by Colin Ferguson, a Jamaican immigrant, on a commuter train three years ago. Mrs McCar-thy's husband was one of six people who were killed. Nineteen others were wounded, including her son, Kevin, who was shot in the head. He is still partially paralysed, but

making a good recovery. Mrs McCarthy gained a 57to-41 per cent victory over her opponent. A nurse and a mother who had never thought of a political career, she was provoked into run-ning by Mr Frisa's pro-gun campaign. A life-long Repub-

lican, she was forced to run as a Democrat. She has not changed her party affiliation, but will sit with the Democrats. She will fight for gun control, but promises not to be a one-issue legislator.

Nine of the 100 senators are now women, the most ever and Maine has now joined California as the only states to have both their Senate seats held by women.

One new Democratic senator is Max Cleland, who lost both legs and his right arm in Vietnam. He squeezed out a one-point victory in Georgia over Guy Millner, a Republican "Christian businessman".

Also in Georgia, Cynthia McKinney, a Democrat, became the first black woman to win a congressional seat from the South with a white majority. Sonny Bono, formerly of Sonny and Cher, was re-elected to Congress. He will be joined by another Republican who had earlier won fame. Jim Ryun, who held the world record for the mile for nine years in the 1960s, won a

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KENNETH BAKER

RUDYARD KIPLING

The Absent-Minded Beggar

When you've shouted 'Rule Britannia,' when you've sung 'God save the Queen.'
When you've finished killing Kruger with your mouth.

Will you kindly drop a shilling in my little tambourine For a gentleman in kharki ordered South? He's an absent-minded beggar, and his weaknesses are great But we and Paul must take him as we find him -He is out on active service, wiping something off a slate -And he's left a lot of little things behind him! Duke's son - cook's son - son of a hundred kings (Fifty thousand horse and foot going to Table Bay!) Each of 'em doing his country's work tand who's to look after their things?) Pass the hat for your credit's sake.

There are girls he married secret, asking no permission to. For he knew he wouldn't get it if he did. There is gas and coals and vittles, and the hot

and pay - pay - pay!

And it's more than rather likely there's a kid. There are girls he walked with casual. They'll be sorry now he's gone. For an absent-minded beggar they will find him,

But it ain't the time for sermons with the winter coming on.
We must help the girl that Tommy's left behind him! Cook's son - duke's son - son of a belted earl -Son of a Lambeth publican - it's all the same to-day! Each of 'em doing his country's work (and who's to look after the girl?) Pass the hat for your credit's sake, and pay - pay - pay!

There are families by thousands, far too proud to beg or speak. And they'll put their sticks and bedding up the spout. And they'll live on half o' nothing, paid 'em punctual once a

Cause the man that earns the wage is ordered out. He's an absent-minded beggar, but he heard his country call, And his regiment didn't need to send to find him! He chucked his job and joined it - so the job before us all Is to help the home that Tommy's left behind him! Duke's job - cook's job - gardener, baronet, groom Mews or palace or paper-shop, there's someone gone away! Each of 'em doing his country's work (and who's to look after the room?) Pass the hat for your credit's sake,

Let us manage so as, later, we can look him in the face, And tell him - what he'd very much prefer -That, while he saved the Empire, his employer saved his place And his mates (that's you and me) looked out for her.

He's an absent-minded beggar and he may forget it all. But we do not want his kiddies to remind him that we sent 'em to the workhouse while their daddy hammered Paul. So we'll help the homes that Tommy left behind him!

Cook's home - Duke's home - home of a millionaire. (Fifty thousand horse and foot going to Table Bay!) Each of em doing his country's work (and what have you got to spare?) Pass the hat for your credit's sake. and pay - pay - pay!

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Assassinating Sarah



"I gave my complete loyalty to her and John, yet when I needed help, where were they?"

The Duchess of York's former confidant, Allan Starkie, says he has nothing to feel guilty or ashamed about. Interview by Noreen Taylor

hame, betrayal!" Allan Starkie gasps at the very idea of such allegations. The author of Fergie: Her Secret Life smiles reassuringly: "I have nothing to feel guilty or ashamed about. Sarah always meant me to be her biographer. She even faxed me entries from her diary. My

Central casting could not have produced a Boswell more suited to the loopy world of Fergiana. At the beginning he had proved himself as courtier, and in this role he was ssed, possessing the correct blend of obsequious charm, and what the Duchess of York would have interpreted as refreshing American know-all.

To the more sane, it should have been obvious that Starkie - smitten by the period he refers to as five beautifully illusionary years — was in a position to take advantage of heir friendship.

For the impressionable Sarah, he embodied wisdom, sophistication and loyalty. After all, he had been a decorated officer with the CIA. As usual, she'd got it all horribly wrong.

Oh, she knew he had kept a daily account of the crazed whirl of her life. A life over which she so arrogantly felt she could exercise control, censoring all future publication. Big mistake. According to Starkie she allowed him to go to jail in Germany for five months after promising bail money from her Budgie book

Starkie was under the impression that Sarah would rescue Oceonics, the company he ran with her lover, John

gave my complete loyalty to her and John, yet when I needed help, where were they? John was in Hawaii judging the Miss Hawaii Beach contest and Sarah went off to Barbados."

A dapper little man, speedy. whirring with the excitement being generated by the publicity of his book, Starkie is high on adrenalin. High, too, no doubt on

such intention. My book paints her as she

is. A character with flaws, headstrong, even wild, but there are no distortions."

The picture he paints of life Romenda Lodge and Kingsbourne is of a woman out of control, fuelled by a distorted sense of power, of a belief she could accomplish anything - if only the Palace would get off her back. She foolishly misunderstood that whatever power she imagined she had came through the marriage on which she heaped humiliation.

"She didn't see it like that," says Starkie. "Sarah's view of herself was that of an international figure in her own right, someone who'd outgrown the Royal Family. Why did she have to have the Queen's permission to visit Bosnia? The Palace were crowding

Visibly preening when asked to draw conclusions from the psychological drama unfolding daily, his smile widens as he replies: "I like that. Psychological drama. That's exactly how I perceived it — the way the book's written. Let me tell you, though, how I miss the kids - those little princesses. Gee, I love them." Enough, presumably, to

shine such an unforgiving light on their mother's life. However, we should allow Starkie to continue.

"What you have to understand is that the Royal Family live in isolation, surrounded by unworldly sycophants. They are removed from reality." But surely Sarah had par-

ents from outside such circles? "Oh, her mother lives too far away and anyway she thinks of her like an elder sister. As for her father, she felt she could not trust him." So all she had was Allan

"Sure, I was an authentic person. After all, Prince Charles has his group of advisers. Diana never managed to gather such a group, although she used to attend sessions with John and L where we would help her rehearse meetings with Prince Charles during divorce discussions. John would play the Prince of Wales so she could act out her lines. Those were mock trials to prepare her for

the divorce." All the while Starkie's busy

'She's the daughter of a woman who went off with the man of her dreams'

pen noted each detail: the blunders the infidelities, the tearful rows. It transpires her lifestyle was dripping with sleaze, hidden for a time behind the public image of a gloved hand receiving bouquets, waving from regal lim-os and greeting heads of state.

figure of Prince Andrew diminishes to that of a walk-on player — a shadowy figure with a repertoire of

unsavoury lines. The Dook of York and I. we used to talk a lot. I could tell just from the way he looked at Sarah, he was still in love. Would have done anything for her. He once asked me where he ought to put her at Christmas after the separation. There was a gamekeeper's lodge in Windsor Great Park he wanted me to have a look at. When I did, I advised him it wasn't an appropriate place for his wife to spend Christ-

mas. He was very grateful. "John thought the Dook simple. He used to help him with his homework. Though of course John knew nothing about naval matters - he could pretend expertise on almost any subject. I viewed Andrew's reactions as coming from a different kind of intelligence. No, I wouldn't say Sarah looked on her husband as an idiot - just someone she would always be one step ahead of, like a younger brother. She often said that living with him was like living

"I'll tell you what, though --she asked me in 1994 during a visit to Albania whether she should go back to him. Just so I could say for you to the lot of them'. She meant the Palace

as a nun, but I don't want to go

into their sex life.

In his role as emotional counsellor. Starkie's sensitive antennae quivered non-stop in his attempt to understand the dynamics of the Yorks' relationship.

Prince Andrew can sometimes appear insensitive.
Once, dining out in their
company, I noticed Sarah, crying. She had become upset she explained, because the music in the background was their song. 'Look at him.' she said to me, 'he doesn't even

hear the music." Sarah is a much more attractive woman than those press shots make her seem. When I first met her that night outside Annabel's - she had such presence. Great legs. hair, and the Prince at her side. God, they were an amazing couple, even the jaded eyes of the club doorman lit up at their arrival."

Rather like Starkie's recalling his years at the court of Fergiana.

Incredible, cataclysmic, unforgettable." he chants in the manner of one who has just stepped off the gilded roundabout — knowing he'll never again be allowed back on.
"We had great times. Like !

said, it's the little princesses I'll miss. I used to spend Sundays with them — a kind of dead day round Sarah. She didn't like to get up too early and their father was hardly ever Didn't the Prince ever worry

about such household arrangements? Surely the overstaffed quarters might have provoked cries of alarm?
The Yorks always had

money problems. That's why she wrote the Budgie book he didn't make enough of an income. They were very aware of how much better off the Waleses were in comparison.

"The Prince did not call the shots, though. He felt powerless within the marriage. Don't forget, he was the one in love, the one hoping she'd return - in fact that's largely what we spent our time

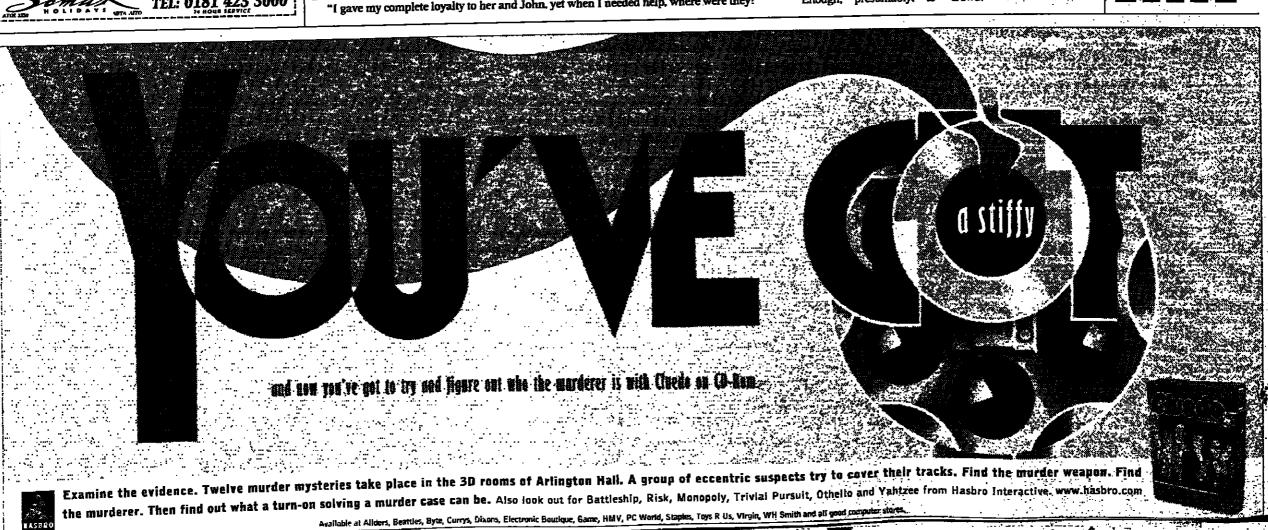
discussing."
I told him that none of this made any sense. Why would Sarah Ferguson have throws away the key to such a life, one she had so obviously and saw as part of a fairy-tale

package?
"When I set up the series of fireside chats in October 92, and when I began travelling with her, I must admit that I. too, was curious. She tried to give me an answer which went something like this: 'On my wedding day, after I took the flowers from my hair. I noticed that as they began to wilt — my life also began to die'."
Too impenetrable, I'm afraid. Could he translate? "Sure. She's a restless, wild

creature - daughter of a woman who went off with the man of her dreams to the other side of the world. That's about

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'Now I know why women complain'

he Scardinos have a very modern marriage. In a week when some write in defence of wife-beating, it is a relief to meet Albert Scardino, a husband who says, laughing: "I can't imagine anyone I'd rather be beaten by than my wife."

Marjorie Scardino, the firecracker" chief executive of The Economist, is to take over the Pearson Group on January 1 and so become the first female chief of an FT-SE 100 company. But who gets the children up in the morning and off to school? Albert, of course, He is "the principal domestic carer since Mrs Scardino's rise to the top of the corporate

heap.
The Scardinos are hardly alone as a couple where the wife is the bigger breadwinner. The Queen is one; Cherie Blair another. As Albert says, if you know two examples of anything it's a coincidence, but if you know three it's a trend. We could all name 20 such happy hang-up-free partner-

Albert, in his sharp suit, does not look like a househusband. He shows off their strikingly neat apartment carved out of an octagonal turret five floors above the streaming traffic of the Old Brompton Road. "It's a New York apartment in the middle of the busiest street in the country." It had long lain empty until the Scardinos walked through the door. Everything is gleaming white, marble or parquet, straight out of an Executive Lifestyle

Eight windows give 360degree views: sunset over the Victoria and Albert Museum, the Virgin Mary atop Brompton Oratory. "She's the only person who can see in," Albert says, "so we try not to offend her." He serves colfee on a tray with white linen

They met in 1971 in West Virginia in the bureau of Associated Press. He was 22: she was 23 and his editor. She read his first story and said: Whoever told you you kr now to write?" "I thought, this is going to be an interesting relationship. But Marjorie was Marjorie." They embarked on a life of madeap adventures, no hint of a future They paddled a boat down the Cherokee Indians' river trail from North Carolina. They took up shrimping on the Georgia coast. "Those shrimps cost us 50 dollars a pound. It would have been cheaper to huy the shrimps

As graduate students in

Albert Scardino on the challenge of being househusband to the new head of the Pearson Group

many misunderstandings, I

had to go. It taught me an

He also found himself

spending more time with his

children since their youngest. Hal, "a boy so painfully shy he

did not speak in school for the

first year and a half, by

chance won a role in the chess

movie. Searching for Bobby

Fischer. A year later, by which

time Marjorie had taken over

The Economist in London, the

telephone rang again: "Hey, does your son want to be in another movie?" So Albert

took Hal off to Hollywood for

six months, to make The

Indian in the Cupboard. This

was a real re-education for

Albert. "It turned out to be a

which Hal, aged nine, carry-

ing a \$15 million project,

taught me how to be a com-

panion and a friend, how to

listen. I discovered that I was a

terrific mouth and not a very

without interfering, and let go.

I'd always had people looking

after me: now everyone was

concerned about Hal and

whether he'd had enough

sleep and enough to eat to keep

his blood sugar up, and to me

they'd say: "Hey, what's your

name, would you mind step-

ping out of the way? Hal was

remarkably generous, almost

as if he were the parent. It

"I learnt a lot about the

traditional female role. I

believe it even changed my

metabolism. My heart rate

slowed down, my awareness

burning, while Marjorie sets the Thames on fire. The eldest

daughter. Adelaide - "she's another Marjorie, so vivacious

that when she walks into a

room the furniture gets up and

America. The two boys are at day school in London.

Albert does all the cooking and shopping. "I know which

detergents are on special in Sainsbury's and I know the

cost of tomatoes." He still lectures on politics and the

media, but mostly he runs the

family: travel arrangements.

visits from his six brothers and sisters, homework to oversee. "And I always handled the

family finances, even though

Marjorie was the one with the

BBC

So now it is Albert who is happy to keep the home fires

altered the dynamic

of other people rose."

"I learnt how to let him do it

emotional period in

can cotton: his hair longer than hers. Back in Albert's home town of Savannah. Georgia, where his father was a surgeon and his mother a piliar of the community, they refounded the long-defunct Georgia Gazette, and applied principles of journalistic truth. and Democrat views in a Republican town. We drove the populace to distraction and helped to put a number of petty officials in jail." Albert won a Pulitzer Prize for his editorial writing — "the Pulit-zer certificate is identical to that given to a graduate from Columbia Dental School" but could not compete with the local monopoly papers and in 1985 they went bust. The

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Scardinos left town, by now with three children, owing \$250,000 and it was only last year, a decade later, that they finally paid off all their creditors. (We cracked a bottle of champagne to celebrate being worth nothing.")

ut Marjorie showed commendable org-anisation even in childbearing. She would go into labour on a Friday, have the baby on Saturday, leave hospital on desk in the office on Monday. (We used to say: Marjorie, this is not the contonlields. You don't have to drop the baby in the field and keep plough-

With the aid of an excellent nanny - Professionals who look after vour children are not like people who sweep your hall" — they moved to Manhartan. While Marjorie ran The Economist in New York with conspicuous success, Albert's career took a dive. He left The New York Times to be Mayor Dinkins's

phones rang at once, each for a different son. Callers hear a patriotic Home on the Range if one line is busy.) "I now recognise what women used to complain about, back in the Sixties. That our society places value only on earning power, not on the vital support structure that allows someone to go

out and earn." Marjorie's last salary from The Economist, with bonuses, was £495,000. "I'm very proud of her. We've got more than 1 ever expected to earn as a reporter. Maybe I wouldn't enjoy it so much if I had to be a trophy husband. But 1 can participate in Marjorie's life by having endless, stimulating discussions and it makes me feel part of her life."

fter leaving the Scardino apartment I turned on the television news and saw Albert (a seasoned Clinton campaigner) alongside Robin Renwick, our erstwhile Ambassador in Washington, discussing the presidential election result. Albert was laughing off the low voting turnout "People who follow the news obsessively are dangerous. They turn into terrorists, lobbyists or journalists."

Marjorie is a night owl -"the later it gets, the faster her motor runs". Albert fades out by 11pm. But it obviously works. What they share is that dry Southern humour: Marjorie has carried on her predecessor David Gordon's tradition of injecting The Economist with quirky bons mots and jokes, even in the annual accounts. "It's obvious to everyone," says Gordon, "that they are each other's best friend. They laugh together all



Albert Scardino and, inset, his wife Marjorie: "It's obvious to everyone that they are each other's best friend"

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from the supermarket."

California in the last hippy years, they wrote their own wedding service and married in a park in matching Mexi-

Philip Howard



It takes a particular kind of bottom to be a grandee

o Kenneth Baker has been elected a grandee. This is now official. It must be true, because when he and Douglas Hurd attack the Government's policy of mandatory minimum sentences for repeat offenders, the headline-writers choose "grandees" as the blanket term to cover such unlikely bedfellows. So how does one qualify for the nickname of the year?

The Tory grandees last paraded in force as signatories to a letter to the press just before the Conservative Party conference, timed to pepper the Europhobes. They included the Lords Whitelaw (the captain grandee), Carrington and Howe, Douglas Hurd and Leon Brittan. Which is the odd one out there? Sir Leon, stupid. For power and a grand lifestyle do not in themselves make a grandee. As a European Commissioner, Sir Leon has more of both advantages than the rest. But as an active player in politics, especially Brussels politics, he does not qualify.

Grandees should be of a certain age and retired from the hurly-burly of active politics. Tufton Buftons and other senior backbenchers (knights from the shires) were once grandee material, especially if they could change out of their tweeds to become "men in grey suits". However, Steve Norris, the former Transport Minister, is a senior backbencher. But he could never become a grandee. Apart from his indiscreet social life, he leads the Garagiste rendency among Tory MPs, and so is debarred by vestigial social snobbery. On the other hand, Julian Critchley, who discovered the Garagiste tendency, has many grandee qualities, including a bottom of good sense and a generous nature that does not take politics too seriously. But he is still not quite a grandee. He is too witty.

You to not have to be socially grand to be a grandee. Kenneth Baker is an admirable example of a self-made man who has made it to grandee without ancestral acres or the Old Etonian network. But it is significant of the change in grandecism since Trollope that an undisputed grandee. Douglas Hurd, when campaigning for the Tory leadership, felt it necessary to emphasise that his ancestral acres were rented and that he went to Eton merely as a poor King's Scholar.

It is not necessary to be stupid to become a grandee. Douglas Hurd is clever. But cleverness is not a sufficient quality. Enoch Powell is too clever by half and not enough of a team player. David Mellor is clever and successful as a media pundit. But like Steve Norris he is too undignified to be promoted. sufficient. Ted Heath has been Father of the House for ages, but he is still too partisan in his engagement in current politics. Grandees should at least give the appearance of being above the strife and soundbites. They should look as though they believe in noblesse obline and gent-like qualities.

an you have a Labour grandee? Lords Callaghan and Healey, like Ted Heath, still retain too much of their ancient rancour. Could a grandee be female? The gender of the word makes this a grammatical impossibility. And the Queen is too grand, and Baroness Thatcher still too wrapped up in old ideology.

The grandee started life as a Spanish or Portuguese nobleman of the highest rank, a Don of Dons with Princes of the blood royal up his family tree, and provinces obedient to his frown. He should be as proud as Lucifer. and as generous as Roderigo El Cid, preferably not played by Charlton Heston. Like the junta, it is a useful Spanish term that we have adapted to our native politics. Like all such grandiose titles, it is silly.

In his Outline of History. H.G. Wells lamented that we did not know the name of any human being until about 50 centuries ago. The extravagant titles and nicknames we have invented since then to butter up (or put down) the high and mighty are evidence of the vanity of grandeeism. King of Kings, the Sublime Porte, the All Highest. His Holiness - what we are talking about here is poor old forked radishes like the rest of us. "Grandees" will no doubt soon become a cliche and a laughing-stock, and so die of shame. And we will have to invent some other sobriquet for the rascals. But meanwhile the image of Kenneth Baker and Douglas Hurd in ruffs and doublets and hose as painted by Velazquez is charming. And grandee is useful shorthand for a

Kenneth Clarke's Faustian pact

Bernard Connolly says if the Chancellor agrees to the stability riting in The Times last month, the Prime Minister defended the Governpact, he will have taken a big step towards a federal superstate ment's policy of wait-andsee on European monetary union: Brit-ain must have its say on issues that will inevitably affect us, whether in or out.



No longer able to guarantee debt repayments, because no longer in control of the currency in which debts are contracted, a government that is part of a monetary union will have to balance its budget. Over the summer, Eurosceptic Labour MPs calculated that in British terms, the difference between budgetary austerity requirements inside or outside a monetary union will be £l8 billion (equivalent to a startling 12 per cent of current government spending, excluding interest and social security) and this takes no account of the mindboggling cost to the British purse of bailing out improvident continental pension systems.

But Germany does not trust its "partners" to do what monetary union would require of them. It insists on legal rules, to enable Brussels to profit politically from the financial disaster of monetary union. The stability pact that will soon be passed into law gives the EU the right to impose fines on monetary union members whose budget deficit in stage 3 is deemed excessive by Brussels. The country concerned will not even have the right to vote on its own fate, it will simply stand in the dock before its "partners". The fines can be massive — more than E3.5 billion a year in the British case.

Even worse, stage 3 members will

have to commit themselves - via socalled "stability programmes" to be vetted by Brussels — to achieving budget balance or surpluses. And these programmes will have to contain "autocorrective" provisions for combating departures from them. According to a little-noticed Commission document issued last month, even countries that stay out of stage 3 will be legally obliged to submit "reinforced convergence pro-grammes" which, though lacking explic-it sanctions, otherwise mimic the stability programmes of the participants. These convergence programmes will then be submitted to the Commission, the Monetary Committee of EU

treasury and central bank officials, and to the finance ministers' council. In short, Brussels and Frankfurt, not national parliaments, will have the final word on what governments should or should not do in spending and taxing. Mr Clarke could not block the

legislation on convergence programmes even if he had a Damascene conversion to Euro-scepticism. Qualified majority voting will apply. But he could block the stability part before next month's EU summit in Dublin. If he did, he might well sammer the whole monetary union well scupper the whole monetary union project, since Germany is insisting on the pact as a precondition for stage 3. That would produce a great sigh of reliaf not only in British but throughout relief, not only in Britain but throughout Europe. Only the federalists and buff reaucrats would be dismayed.

ut Mr Clarke, federalist that he is, will not veto the stabil-ity pact. That, of course, is why the Government is unwilling to come clean on the stakes involved. Block the pact, and monetary union may not happen. Let it go through, and a further irrevocable step will have been taken towards the federal superstate that the Government says it abhors. Mr Clarke's vote on the pact in the finance ministers' council will be the most important act by a British minister. at home or abroad, since the Government bullied Parliament into accepting

the Maastricht treaty.

At least there was public discussion, however inadequate, of that treaty. At least there were votes, however shamefully rigged, in Parliament. This time there may not even be a debate in Cabinet. Yet once Mr Clarke has cast his vote in the council, neither sacking him! nor turning out the Government will make any difference. It will all be too late. So, is John Major going to use Britain's "seat at the negotiating table" or not? Will he write another article in The Times, explaining what instructions the Cabinet will give the Chancellor about the line to take in the council? Or is party unity so precious to him that he will give Kenneth Clarke a free hand to sign away Britain's future? If he does that, he will find that a plea of "Lord, I didna ken" will serve him naught on the political Day of Judgment.

The author is an economist. He was dismissed earlier this year by the European Commission after publishing his book The Rotten Heart of Europe (Faber).

When a conscientious man like Timothy Ley loses his job, he loses his pride — and so begins a tragic tale

have to start with poetry, and I shall end with poetry. You will find that the poetry is not at all the light and merry kind, but neither is it simply the dark and awful kind. There is heroism in this story, and there is also folly, but of sign. And yet for all the heroism and folly, the greatest characteristic of this

and the facts are not yet known. One of the great unknowns about which Mr

Major warned us was the "stability

pact" to submit national budgets to constraints imposed by Brussels and

Frankfurt. Yet when he wrote, the broad

lines of the pact had already been agreed by the European Council of economic and finance ministers, including our

own Chancellor of the Exchequer, at

their September meeting in Dublin. And

within two weeks of his article, the Brus-

sels Commission produced proposals to turn that political agreement into law.

The stability pact is no longer un-known to the Euro-elite, but it certainly

is to the British public and the British

Parliament - even, for all one knows, to the British Cabinet. It is unknown to

almost everyone whom John Maior

warned about the dangers of decision-

making on Europe before the pact was unveiled. Of course, Kenneth Clarke

himself never bothered, he tells us, to

read the Maastricht treaty. Now that he

is Chancellor, and acquiescing in European legislation himself, why should he expect any of his Cabinet colleagues to

take their duty to the British people any

Minister, Jean-Pierre Chevènement, pointed out in a powerful article last week in Le Figaro, the stability pact represents a new assault on national

parliamentary sovereignty, almost on a par with the Maastricht treaty. Next

Monday it will be top of the agenda at

the finance ministers' meeting. Final

decisions are imminent, so it is crucially important for Britain to understand what is involved, despite our leaders'

For countries in a monetary union, the

fiscal constraints on governments, stabi-lity pact or no. will inevitably be far

tighter than anything that would be fin-

ancially necessary outside. Thus the in-fluential Institute of Fiscal Studies says that a British budget deficit keeping the debt ratio stable would be perfectly

respectable and sustainable in financial

terms. The institute is right - if Britain

stays outside monetary union. But inside, a different logic will take over.

reluctance to tell us.

Yet as the former French Defence

Pain and poetry have frequently come together and in this case those two hold hands from beginning to end. Heroism and folly and pain; one more attribute was needed, and that is persistence. And persistence these innocent people got got in such quantities that in the end they cursed the very word.

We wise, who with a thought besmirch Blood over all our soul,

How should we see our task But through his blunt and lashless

These words are for a man called Timothy Ley. He was 45 years old when our story begins, and he was (mark the "was") a most respectable gentleman: he was married with grown-up children. and I am quite sure that he was on the most perfectly pleasant terms with his neighbours: and if he ever were (mark the "were") called to settle an argument. he would do it in the most delicate manner, so that nobody would be un-

happy, let alone angry.
Now, when I said "was" and "were". you must not think that what he was doing was anything wrong, anything that concerned dishonesty, for Timothy Ley was the very soul of uprightness. At the very thought of breaking the law - even the tiniest law - he would, I am certain, shiver and change the subject. And to top all that, guess what his job was? Yes, he was a clerical officer in the Inland Revenue, and you can't get any more respectable than that. And so, the members of the family Ley went on their ordinary, harmonious, leisurely, way, for years and years and

Well now, Timothy Ley went off every

The redundant clerk who wouldn't go quietly

morning - no doubt after giving his wife the happy usual morning kiss -and rain and shine, shine and rain. he went to his office to do his work, no doubt perfectly. He did this exactly the same for years on end; off he went, his briefcase swinging, with that briefcase full of files. Nor was he the kind of man who, after doing the same job for many years, wanted to bang his head on the wall; no, Timothy Ley was quite content to go on with the same work until retirement, a couple of dozen years away. There are many such people in this reasonably calm land; I could not live like that, and many others could not either, but there are certainly many who not only do the work dutifully, but enjoy doing it. Timothy Ley, it seems, was just such a man. At least, he seemed just such a man. But that man's seeming turned out to be something very different, something extraordinarily,

something incredibly different. Because, one day, without telling anyone what he was going to do. Timothy Ley took a flammable liquid, and poured it over himself, and then struck a match. And so complete was the burning of his body that he could only

be recognised from dental records. What can be said? Nothing, of course. We are entirely bewildered, indeed we cannot understand anything at all. Suicide, and a specially dreadful kind suicide, would be unimaginable for Timothy Ley. But he did it, without warning and without any kind of reason — or at least any reason that any reasonable person could discover. And death shall have no

dominion. Well, there was - is - an answer. An

decent man called Timothy Ley. But for the rest of us, if your head is still spinning with horror, the answer is

more terrible than the match he struck. Timothy Lev had lost his job. No. it was not for any kind of wrongdoing -Timothy Ley lived and died a respectable, honourable man, who would not pick up a penny from the pavement un-

less he was certain that it was his own. Bernard Levin

So what had happened to make such a man kill himself? It is that he had been made redundant.

No, no, no: he had been made redundant, but not because of any fault of his. It was just because the Inland Revenue, no doubt under orders, had to start cutting its cloth; everything had to be squeezed because there is less money for anything, from furniture to traintickets, and from midday cups of tea to human beings.

To human beings. A blow. A considerable blow. Anyone would go a little pale at the news that his or her work was not needed now; even though it is not because his or her work has become less thorough. Picture the moment; the head of the department calls in the man who is to be made redundant, and tries to cushion the

man is not losing his job because his work has become slipshod or dishonest. Certainly not - perish the thought. But then there are shake-hands all round the room. And he goes home to tell his wife the bad news.

Correction: he goes home, but he does not tell his wife the bad news. And he does not tell his wife the bad news for

But how, you ask? Take a deep breath. For two years, two years, that poor devil, that heroic devil, that pitiable devil, that incredible devil, that great and unique devil, left his home at the exact time as he had always done in all those years (no doubt never forgetting to kiss his wife) and stayed away from his home until, swinging his briefcase — that briefcase that had held so many files - it was time

There are many aspects to this almost unbelievable but true story. For one thing, what did he do when he left his home to kick his heels for about six hours five days a week? Let his wife answer.

He told me in August that he was starting rie that the in August that he was starting a new job with an insurance company and would be going on a training course. Until then I had no reason to suspect anything other than that he was employed by the Inland Revenue. He insisted that all the paperwork would come through after he had been working there a month.

That won't do, surely. Where did he remain all through the hundreds and hundreds of hours? Where did he sit, where did he stand, where did he eat or drink, for hours and hours? It is likely that, when he began this ter-

rible march to oblivion, he wavered and thought he would own up (though God Almighty himself would have told him that he had nothing to own up to), but there comes a moment when the coin is spun and comes down heads or tails, but alas, not both.

Pride. We all have it, one way or another. But to pretend that a man is working at his desk five days a week, when he is not working at all, and indeed is doing nothing at all, would surely kill a man. And indeed it did kill him. I repeat - that pitiful man was not being sacked for laziness or stealing or incompetence. He was being sacked because and only because the Inland Revenue had had orders to cut the number of the employees. And Timothy

Ley picked the short straw. Very well; he did. Pride, we are told, goes before a fall. But in this case the pride went after the fall. And not only did that pride refuse to follow: it stood like a ramrod. For two granite years he stood, and he ended his life

But we are missing the point, the terrible, dreadful point. A man, bowed down with the pride he should have abandoned long ago, decided that he would give up the heroic and pitiful waste of life. And so he lit a match and gave himself to the flames. If that is pride - and it is - let us pray, and pray fiercely, for humility.

This infinitely tragic story has no simple answer, and indeed hardly any kind of answer. The very heart of it cries out to say there is nothing to say. There is a grieving widow and there are tragrown-up offspring and a tombstone Not enough. Not enough.

Alive, he is not vital overmuch: Dying, not mortal overmuch; Nor sad, nor proud, Nor curious at all. He cannot tell

Old men's placidity from his. All the lines I have quoted are from Wilfred Owen. Did I not tell you that I would start and finish with poetry?

Oh phooey!

PLANS for Luciano Pavarotti to sing at a concert to celebrate the handover of Hong Kong to the Chinese are foundering. The Chinese, it seems, simply do not get the point of Fat Lucy.

According to reports in the Italian opera press, Pavarotti had been approached to sing at the joint Anglo-Chinese concert while on tour in the Far East with New York's Metropolitan Opera, A few bars of Nessun Dorma were felt, by the European side at least, to be just the thing to herald in a new era of furious, Chinese-run enterprise. Then Pavarotti stated his price: somewhere in the £500,000

"Noh goh," said the Chinese. He may have the girth of a hibernating panda, but could he really be worth



What price Pavarotti? Too much, apparently

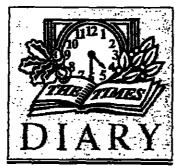
that much? For all his chinwobbling, his kind of singing is worlds apart from the Chinese form of opera.

Pavarotti's New York agents could not comment on the size of his fee nor on the extent of his commitment. The Chinese, however, are rapidly losing interest, and are threatening to withdraw their invitation. Those who will be in the colony for the handover, including Baroness Thatcher and the Queen. may now have to settle for all-in

First sitting

FANCY financial footwork by the Duke of Richmond and Gordon has landed Sotheby's with a problem: he has bought the star lot of next week's English furniture sale. The lot, two 18th-century chairs made for the 2nd Duke's Richmond home, is the cover illustration and is described over six pages in the sale catalogue.

A couple of centuries ago, the family gave the chairs to Chichester City Council, which recently decided to sell them to pay for refurbishment. Lord March, the duke's son, stepped in and offered E120,000, the top estimate. "It is ex-



ceptional that the cover lot is withdrawn before the sale," comments Sotheby's, which has no plans to pulp its catalogue.

Village politics

CONSOLATION for Bob Dole from the small town in Italy where he was wounded during the war. Castel d'Aiano, a close-knit community in the Apennines, has written to the defeated Republican asking him to become its mayor.

We were all rooting for him in the election," says Pietro degli Espoti, leader of the community. "If he would like to come to be our mayor, we would welcome him with open arms." Dole has painful memories of Some months back Jewplained his

Castel d'Aiano. He has a withered right arm, after an enemy shell exploded as he was leading his men to storm a German machine-gun nest. It blew away most of his right arm and injured his spine. The only thing I've got left is my head," remarked the trouper when he came round.

 Latest diversion on the Moscow and St Petersburg cocktail circuit is dried dogfood, used instead of rarely-found peanuts and pistachios to soak up vodka. Pedigree Chum, purveyors of sustenance to labradors and spaniels, doesn't export to Russia, but concedes a black market may exist. "The people will come to no harm: all Pedigree products are fit for human consumption," whines a dogsbody.

Black mark

to Peter Mandelson, suave spin-

doctor, socialite and Labour MP.

I'M DELIGHTED that the world has caught up with my long-established concern for Tony Blair's hair - or the lack of it - first mentioned in this column nearly a year ago. I must now draw your attention

decision to shave off his moustache: he was having trouble pulling out its grey hairs and I suggested then that he uses a dye on top. Proof of a sort came the other day in a downpour at Westminster - shiggering Commons secretaries report that they saw black dye running down the back of his neck. But does hairdye really run these days?

Real Windsor

STRAIGHT from the streets of Newcastle comes a riposte to the aristocratic models - Stella Tennant, Honor Fraser, Iris Palmer currently representing Britain on the catwalks. She is the delightful Jayne Windsor, 22, mother of two children, whom she refers to as her "bairns", and with a boyfriend on the manual side of construction (scaffolding and brickwork). An agency brought her down to Lon-

don and provided a home. After making a profound impression at the London shows, she is being lined up for a series of lucrative advertising jobs. We look forward to more of this new; meritocratic face of British fashion.



Jayne: Newcastle's answer to the fachion chicke

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AFFIRMATIVE REACTION

Californians revolt against racial and sexual quotas

s Americans went to the polis on Tuesday, hey made decisions on more than the residency and Congress. The citizens of alifornia, where the state constitution ermits the widespread use of referendums. lso passed Proposition 209, the prohibition gainst discrimination or preferential treatens on grounds of gender or race.

This measure prevents the state governnent from deploying racial or sexual criteria n hiring employees, awarding contracts, or n admission to higher education. Although a prior judicial ruling prevented the words affirmative action" being placed on the ballot, the target was clear. Not only did the roposal pass by a clear 54 to 46 per cent hargin, but a majority of women and spectable proportions of California's ethnic minorities apparently voted in favour.

The issue, indeed the very definition, of affirmative action has long been controversial in California and across the United States. From the late 1960s, numerous initiatives were taken that tried to increase opportunities for particular disadvantaged groups. While the objective of such programmes was to help those who had historically been discriminated against, for example by offering educational scholarships to bright but poor black children, they were supported by Americans of all backgrounds. During the 1970s, however, extra encouragement was judged no longer enough. The aim became specific numerical "goals", especially on the number of black students entering university. A system of barely concealed quotas emerged so that a fixed percentage of state government jobs, business, and studentships was reserved on acial grounds, regardless of competence. ost, or scores in admissions tests.

This so-called "positive discrimination" was theoretically declared unconstitutional in a particularly incoherent Supreme Court decision — the Bakke case — some 18 years ago. In practice, many institutions ignored the illegality of their actions and carried on anyway. Ironically, law schools have been among the worst offenders. One in New Mexico created separate admissions committees and different pass rates based purely on race, until a persistent federal judge finally prohibited the procedure. In California, the practice was endemic, especially in higher education, with its worst effects not on whites but Asian Americans:

Not surprisingly, many Americans have become increasingly angry. They believe that noble intentions have been perverted by political correctness. Their displeasure has fed through to the political system. Last year, Governor Pete Wilson of California forced his state university system to abandon its overt use of quotas. The Supreme Court in Adarand Construction Inc versus Peña declared that such techniques were only allowed as a remedy to precise and proven examples of initial discrimination, and even then should not require rigid numerical targets. President Clinton was obliged to review the practices of the federal Government, although with characteristic flexibility he declared his intention to "mend not end" affirmative action.

Now Californian's have had their say. The result will reverberate well beyond the Golden State, California's referendums have long had the habit of influencing other iurisdictions. The revolt against high taxation and the drive to limit the terms in office of politicians were both launched from the Pacific Coast. Other local lawmakers will note the trend and change their ways; if they do not, their voters will do it for them. Both President and Congress will have to address the question again. The days of positive discrimination are numbered. As elements of this practice seem also to have crossed the Atlantic, it is a change that the British should be interested in too.

There is no evidence that Californians want to abandon the disadvantaged. All efforts to produce equality of opportunity remain wildly popular. It is the crude attempt to fix an outcome rather than respect open competition that is so vilified. Proposition 209 accurately reflects the values of the Declaration of Independence and the American Constitution. Quotas do not. The 1996 election may not have altered the composition of America's political leaders. This ballot will profoundly affect their agenda.

GUTS AND GLOIRE

French rhetoric is no help for Zaire's children

Behirk the diplomatic language and announcements of closer naval co-operation, sharp words will be exchanged today at the Anglo-French summit. The issue is Zaire. and the quarrel is over the French proposal for an international intervention force. Britain has been notably quiet over President Chirac's call on Tuesday for a multilateral mission to guarantee safe fighting in eastern Zaire. But such reticence says more about the need to create a good atmosphere for today's talks than about the Government's real reaction. The French proposal, as almost every official in Britain believes, is ill-conceived, impractical and designed more to boost the faltering position of France in Africa than to address the underlying causes of the fighting.

Britain is the only other European country that could give such a mission credibility. As the only two powers with Armed Forces ready to intervene overseas, Britain and France could constitute a nucleus of a force. Britain's reluctance has infuriated Paris. Herve de Charette has accused the international community of being spineless: an accusation as foolish as it is transparent.

The obvious objection to the French plan is that such a force has no clear mandate. France should know from Bosnia how foolish it is to rush in troops on the assumption that "something must be done" before they know what they can or need to do. Every military mission needs proper tasks and attainable goals. A mission to the heart of Africa, in the absence of a ceasefire and without definition, is bound to end in recrimination. Caught in the crossfire of tribal conflict, it will provide neither short-

term safety to the refugees, nor a long-term solution to the disintegration of Zaire's despotic regime.

The second clear fault in the plan is that it does not hasten the return of the Rwandan refugees to their country. The cynicism of Hutu extremist leaders, vividly described by our correspondent on the scene today, has repeatedly been denounced by aid agencies, l to ente eastern Zaire because of intimidation by those responsible for the 1994 Rwanda genocide. On at least two occasions there was a chance, after Zaire-Rwanda agreement, to persuade the refugees to return; United Nations delay wasted the opportunity. Zairean resentment at the refugee burden grew, the extremists' control was strengthened and the fires of new tribal conflict were stoked. The French plan would

simply send the refugees deeper into Zaire. The plan would also harden suspicion in Africa that once again Paris is protecting the guilty, the Hutu extremists and the corrupt officials of President Mobutu's tottering Government. While the corrupt dictator languishes in his Riviera villa, such suspicions would be hard to disperse.

France's humanitarian motives are not in doubt; but its record in propping up dubious African regimes that support France's quasicolonial role in the continent is too poor to hope for any sudden change. The Americans see the dispatch of troops as a last resort. But like the British, they too believe that regional forces should be part of a regional solution and that any such intervention must have United Nations sanction. This is not spinelessness; it will achieve more than guts

MANIFESTO PROMISES

Politicians owe Mrs Lawrence prompt action and more thought

Jaw-Jaw is often better than Law-Law. A parliamentary nation should generally value considered debate more than precipitate action. Nevertheless, there should be a welcome for the response of Michael Howard to the campaign against combat knives launched by Frances Lawrence in The Times. A clear, and growing, evil has been addressed with the urgency it deserved. The death of Philip Lawrence alerted the nation to the disturbing prevalence of battlefield blades in the hands of the alienated young. His widow's manifesto goaded politicians to act and the package of measures unveiled should go some way towards making the streets safer.

The extension of stop-and-search powers to tackle those individuals who, by dress, manger and association are likely to be carring offensive weapons should be of direct practical benefit to the police. It will not prevent the isolated maniac or determined criminal from carrying a knife; but it should give the young drawn to the shallow machismo of gang culture pause for thought. In too many of Britain's urban areas young men mimic the tribal affiliations of American cities and organise themselves into groups defined by dress and

flourish. The knowledge that such behaviour will attract increased police attention, and heavy penalties should act as some deterrent.

This effect should be maximised by the public campaign planned to stress the penalties for carrying offensive weapons and an effort in schools to emphasise the futility of thus asserting one's power. If Learco Chindamo had recognised where membership of his "Triad" gang would take him then Philip Lawrence might still be inspiring another generation of schoolchildren in north London. Some politicians, although driven by

genuine outrage, were insufficiently careful in their calls for legislation. Opposition attempts to introduce a Bill simply to "ban" combat knives appeared the most obvious way of tackling the violence against which Mrs Lawrence campaigned. But, simple slogans obscured measures that, while less seductive, may be more effective.

The difficulty of defining a combat knife, like the problems attendant on any return of corporal punishment, means agitation for such action is an arid response to a real need. Other moves may be necessary in time. But the Home Secretary's plans are a

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

on the children

From the Chair of the National

Sir, We are deeply alarmed at the current attitudes to disruptive pupils reflected in the media and in public pronouncements by politicians. Some newspapers and both main political parties appear to be in competition to demonstrate who can be tougher with children, who can trump the others' punitive proposals.

The naming of particular children whose behaviour is problematic is unedifying. To the traumas they have often experienced at home, and sometimes at school, is added the humiliation of widespread publicity. This must be counter-productive, sometimes even creating heroes where this is least appropriate.
It is well established that affection,

care and disciplinary approaches based on reward rather than punishment are the most effective ways to ensure good behaviour and relationships. In the words of Lord Elton's 1989 committee of inquiry into school

Our impression is that, in schools with a negative atmosphere, pupils learn to see themselves as irresponsible beings who must be contained and controlled at all times. Our evidence suggests that pupils tend to live up, or down, to teachers' expec-

There are many positive school initiatives which encourage children's sense of responsibility. These include pupils' involvement in "whole school" behaviour codes, anti-bullying strategies and school councils, constructive home-school liaison and courses in personal and social skills.

Approaches such as these should be publicised, applauded and developed. as should the work of many schools, situated in deprived inner-city areas, in which the aimosphere is settled, exclusions rarely occur and achievement is promoted. Certainly, because of their behaviour, some children do need extra resources. Can we afford not to provide them?

We condemn the current climate of hostility to children and young people. If something is wrong, the fault is not with them but with the adults, with us. If we demonise children, we shall surely only create demons.

Yours faithfully, PHILIP GRAHAM,
Chân, National Children's Bureau,
SONIA JACKSON,
Chair, Children in Wales, R. E. KENDELL. President, Royal College of Psychiatrists, R. J. LEWIS. President, Association of Directors of Social Services. ROY MEADOW. President, Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health. PETER MORTIMORE Director, Institute of Ec University of London, HEATHER DU QUESNAY, National Children's Bureau, 8 Wakley Street, ECI.

School discipline

November 6.

From Mr Nicholas Bennett Sir, The law regarding what teachers can do to restrain unruly pupils is very uncertain (letters, November 5). Most teachers are afraid to tackle such pupils for fear of prosecution for assault. If a pubil decides to march out of the classroom or the school, many teachers dare not physically prevent

Even in cases where a teacher has to intervene to stop one pupil attacking another there is a danger that the assailant or his parents may take out a prosecution against the teacher.

The Government should look urgently at the legal position and if necessary amend the current Education Bill to ensure that teachers, acting reasonably, can use sufficient force, if necessary, to restrain the small minority of out-of-control pupils.

Yours faithfully, NICHOLAS BENNETT (Conservative prospective parliamentary candidate for Reading West). 86 Tilehurst Road, Reading, Berkshire.

From Miss E. M. Manners

Sir, Before my first headship in 1959, I was deputy head of a very large coeducational school in a tough part of south Yorkshire. Corporal punishment was used on the boys but not on the girls, whose discipline was my concern.

The boys did not complain of this discrimination, but the girls did. The worst that could happen to the lads, they said, was six of the best from the Boss, whereas the lasses had to face an interview with Her Who Must Be Obeyed - a much more daunting prospect.

Yours faithfully, ELIZABETH MANNERS. 6 Graham Court, Hamilton Gardens Felixstowe, Suffolk. November 7.

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Don't blame it all Millennium dome plans under fire

From Lady Panufnik

Sir, Richard Morrison's article on plans for the Millennium Exhibition "No, no - a thousand times no!". November 2) was most welcome. In past months I and numerous other well-intentioned people have been desperately trying to raise funds to "match" with lottery money for estimable buildings in exemplary causes.

We have been willing to put in this work because for the moment these are the only terms on which we can innovate and renew. However, arts and education projects are suffering because the energies of those who should be running them are being dissipated in the pursuit of philanthro-pists whose goodwill must be crumb-ling in the face of endless demands.

It makes fools of us all when we see that £500 million is to be squandered on a temporary dome over a stretch of poisoned ground near Greenwich (report and picture. November 1). The comic-strip elegance and witty archi-tectural lines of the design cease to amuse when one starts to calculate what that money could contribute, for example, to books for schools, extra teacher-training or music education, or in eliminating the accumulated deficits of our honest and dedicated music schools, art schools, orchestras. and institutes of adult education.

Academic medicine

century

I am. Sir, your obedient servant,

From Mr D. A. Rew, FRCS Yours sincerely, Sir. Professors Sir Keith Peters and DAVID REW Frank Harris are to be commended for their robust support of pay University of Leicester. equivalence in academic medicine Faculty of Medicine, (letter, October 30). However, this issue is only one of the reasons why the universities are unable to recruit and retain top-class clinicians to de-

The unspoken reality of NHS consultant practice is that in many parts of the country, and particularly in the surgical specialities, NHS consultants can and do earn several multiples of their basic NHS salary in private

velop the nation's medical-research

The somewhat puritanical, restrictive and nationally inconsistent approach by the universities to the issue of private practice is the major disincentive to the recruitment of talented young consultants into academic sur-gery, notwithstanding the intellectual and professional rewards of academic

It is within the remit of the universities themselves to strike a sensible balance between incentive and reward. Those universities which do not do so will deservedly witness a continuing drain of talent and will fail to recruit the individuals necessary to sustain

Other projected millennium follies include ten hideous concrete obelisk

"markers" along one of the most beau-

tiful stretches of the Thames, between

Kew and Hampton Court. I dread to think what further idees de grandeur

and mindless extravagances will, be

foisted onto the nation by the Millen-

nium Commission to make us happy

The £500 million is not toy money.

pledged to castles in the air (or even to

Ferris wheels): it is real money, with

real power to further the sciences, the

Riverside House, Riverside, Twickenham, Middlesex.

Sir. Three hundred cheers for Richard

Before all the millermial nonser

gets completely out of hand, would it

not be a good thing if those respon-sible were asked to explain exactly what it is that they suppose they'll be

Morrison and his article today.

arts and education.

CAMILLA PANUFNIK

From Mr J. S. F. Parker

Yours faithfully

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November 2.

JOHN PARKER

8 Holly Terrace, York.

about the arrival of the year 2001.

(Senior Lecturer in Surgery). The Gienfield Hospital, Groby Road, Leicester.

From Dr Peter Beck

Sir, The cogent pragmatic argument presented by Professors Peters and Harris can also be supported from a moral or ethical standpoint, namely

· As an NHS consultant myself. I believe that we share the clinical load in our teaching hospitals equally with the academics. We all do the same ward rounds, outpatient clinics and on-call duties, as well as sharing the teaching commitments, and a differential pay structure for this parity of workload would offend against natural justice. The policy cartnot, I believe, be supported from either a moral or practical stance and it should be changed at once.

Yours faithfully. PETER BECK (Consultant physician). Llandough Hospital, Penlan Road, Penarth, South Glamorgan.

ber of addicts.

Legalising drugs From Dr N. J. F. Smalldridge

Sir, Dr Cresswell (letter, October 30) suggests that legalising drugs and making them freely available would benefit society and reduce drugrelated problems. These drugs can cause significant physical and psycho-logical harm even in their pure form.

The harmful effects of hard drugs (opiates, amphetamines, cocaine) are already well known and research is increasingly demonstrating that the so-called soft drugs (cannabis, Ec-stasy) are also harmful. Governments make their use illegal to protect their

I have no doubt that making these drugs freely available would increase their use and the harm caused to individuals. The present illegality acts as a deterrent to some and the expense as a deterrent to others. Removing these barriers would result in more experi-

for drug addiction: this is very expensive, the majority of opiate addicts requiring long term counselling and residential rehabilitation for a minimum of six months. Opiate addiction can be treated successfully by the substitution of heroin with methadone. This is prescribed and is therefore far cheaper to the addict than illicit heroin. Despite this a significant number of recipients sell their methadone for illicit drugs.

mentation and, as some of these drugs

are highly addictive, a greater num-

Dr Cresswell mentions counselling

Legalising drugs is a recipe for con-denning the next generation of young people to a life of drug addiction.

Yours faithfully, N. J. F. SMALL DRIDGE, Edward Myers Unit, City General Hospital Stoke on Trent ST4 6QG. November 1.

New Elizabethans

From Mr Robert Wilton

Sir, Your Diary today ("Tory history") reports that Foreign Office "history buffs" are recommending that the Tories invoke the glories of the first Elizabethan age to kindle satisfaction with our own.

What are Foreign Office officials, supposedly impartial, anonymous civil servants, whom one could imagine have quite enough to be getting on with in the crises at present facing the globe, doing coming up with election gambits for the Government?

And secondly, before Central Office run off 10,000 "New Labour, New Armada" posters; they might remember that the late stage of the previous Elizabeth's reign was marked by econo-mic and political stagnation, and the increasing isolation of the fast-declining leadership from the mass of the

There were parties in the street as

Refugee rapist From Mr Gordon Thorpe

Sir, Mr Ali Noor rewards our hospitality in granting him asylum by raping two of our pensioners, aged 84 and 76 (News in brief, November 6). Now he is going to cost us a fortune in keeping him behind bars for 18 years. Would it not have been preferable

simply to send him home to Somalia?

Yours faithfully, GORDON THORPE, Ivy House, Low Grantley, Ripon, North Yorkshire.

the old leader lay dying, with promi-nent figures in the old regime dis-patching urgent messages proclaiming their loyalty to the new.

Still, the historical hopefuls may take seasonal heart from the fact that two years into the new administra-tion, elements of the population were trying to blow it up.

Yours faithfully, ROBERT WILTON, 67 St Peter's Street, N1. November 5.

From Mr John A. Heywood

Sir. If the Foreign Office really be-lieves, as your Diary reports, that Eliz-abethan England continued until the end of the 17th century thank goodness their specialist subject is geography_ Yours faithfully

JOHN A. HEÝWOOD. 21 Walpole Street, SW3. November 4.

Two-minute silence

From Mr Antony Beevor

Sir. I would warn the "many local authorities [that] will fire maroons to mark the beginning ... of the two-minute silence (letter, November 7) that when a maroon was fired for this purpose at the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, on the 50th anniversary of VE-Day, the crack set off several caralarms which wrecked the moment.

Yours faithfully ANTONY BEEVOR, 54 Saint Maur Road, SW6:

Do teachers need a dress code?

From Mrs Elizabeth Warren

Sir. The drive to smarten up teachers by Mr David Shaw, MP (brief report. November 4), was met with surprise from the teachers' unions, who believe that teachers' appearance must be appropriate to the task in hand. Of course both views are, in part, correct. Mr Shaw's apparently subjective approach has, nevertheless, a soundly researched basis. In the late 1970s, social psychologist Albert Mehrabian found that people instinctively judge by appearance first, then by what is said. If a person's appearance is inconsistent with their words, then it is the message conveyed by the appear-ance that is believed, not the words

It is not so much a question of uniformity in dress that is at issue here, as one of standards. It is possible to dress casually and still appear well-groomed. Yet this skill is so little understood that Levi Strauss produced a video to help companies overcome the problems that have been raised by dressing down days".

Yours faithfully, ELIZABETH WARREN (Associate Member of the Federation of Image Consultants), Old Orchard House, I The Street, Uley, Nr Dursley, Gloucestershire.

From Mrs Susan Lee

Sir, The idea to introduce a regulation to smarten up teachers must come as an insult to many. However, there are alternatives that should be given serious consideration.

When visiting the Caribbean three years ago I was impressed by the neat appearance of both pupils and teachers, who also had a uniform. However, classroom work can often be messy and making staff conform to a standard entirely at their own expense seems rather unfair.

One solution might therefore be for each school to adopt a corporate style. following in the footsteps of so many other institutions from supermarkets to airlines. The cost of purchase could be set against the individual's tax lia-bility. This would also aid security, as those employed at each establishment would be clearly identifiable.

Yours faithfully, SUSAN M. LEE (School governor, 1991-96), The Bell House, Little Wilbraham, Cambridgeshire. November 4

From Mrs P. H. Tull

Sir, Do teachers really need David Shaw to tell them how to dress? Most head teachers I know would have a ly dressed.

Perhans, however, Mr Shaw or any aspiring fashion student could sugst a suitable fabric from which infant teachers' smart clothes could be made. This fabric would have to withstand a daily wash to remove all or any of the following: paint, glue, sticky fingerprints, milk. gravy, sick, blood, felt-tip pen marks, clay and the ever present smell of school disinfec-

It should also be warm enough for days when the boiler breaks down.

Yours, in a not too shabby umper and skirt. PAM TULL (Infant school teacher, 1966-93), 10 Careys Cottage, Brockenhurst, Hampshire. November 4.

Blair's ideology

From Dr Ian D. Thatcher

Sir, Much as I enjoyed Mr Blair's little essay ("Towards a decent, responsible society", November 4), I must warn him that a recent socialist leader who believed in "stripping away outdated ideology and applying traditional values in a modern way". Mikhail Corbachev promptly led his country to disintegration.

Yours faithfully, IAN THATCHER, University of Glasgow Institute of Russian and East European Studies. 29 Bute Gardens, Glasgow G12.

Hair today . . . From Mr Andrew Jackson

Sir, A Tory official has told us (report, November 7) that Mr Major's "full head of hair stands up and is counted in its own right".

It sounds even more curious than Mr Blair's. Yours faithfully,

ANDREW JACKSON, 266 Hertingfordbury Road. Hertingfordbury, Hertfordshire. November 7

gone tomorrow?

From Mr A. R. Beard Sir, Leading the Labour Party must be enough to make anybody tear their

hair out Yours faithfully. ROBERT BEARD, Scobbiscombe,

Kingston, Kingsbridge, Devon



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November 7: The Princess Royal,

President, today attended the Nat-

ional Conference and Annual Gen-

eral Meeting of Riding for the

Disabled Association at the Nat-

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Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant

count Daventry).

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worth, and was received by Her

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November 7: Queen Elizabeth The

inted a Cross of Remembrano

Queen Mother this morning

in the Royal British Legion Field of Remembrance at St Margaret's

Mrs Michael Gordon-Lennox

Major Sir Ralph Anstruther. Bt. and Major Charles MacEwan were in attendance.

November 7: The Prince of Wales this morning visited the National

Carpet Museum, the Institute o

Manuscripts and the Institute of World Languages in Ashkgabat. This afternoon His Royal High-

ness flew to Eastern Turkmenistan and was received on arrival by the

Mayor of Mary Velayet.
The Prince of Wales afterwards

visited the archaeological excava-tions being undertaken on the site

of the old city of Merv with British

Kazakhstan and was received in Almaty by Her Majesty's Ambas-

KENSINGTON PALACE November 7: The Princess Mar-

garet, Countess of Snowdon, Honorary President, The British

Museum Development Trust, was

present this evening at a Chinese Gala, held in aid of Oriental

educational programmes at the Museum's new Centre for Edu-

cation, during the "Mysteries of Ancient China" Exhibition at the

His Royal Highness this evening

attended a performance of La Traviata in aid of the British Red Cross.

at the English National Opera, St Martin's Lane, London WC2.

British Museum, London WCI. YORK HOUSE November 7: The Duke of Kent this morning visited the Royal Marines, Poole, Dorset.

sador (Mr Douglas McAdam).

His Royal Highness later flew to

BUCKINGHAM PALACE November 7: The Right Reverend John Waine was received by The Queen upon relinquishing his appointment as Clerk of the Closet when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian

The Right Reverend Jonathan Bailey (Bishop of Derby) was received by The Queen upon his appointment as Clerk of the Closet and received his Badge of Office. Mr Justice Timothy Walker was received by The Queen upon his appointment as a Justice of the High Court when Her Majesty conferred upon him the honour o

Knighthood and invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Bachelor. Mr Justice Timothy Lloyd was received by The Queen upon his appointment as a Justice of the High Court when Her Majesty conferred upon him the honour of Knighthood and invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Bachelor. Mr Justice Alan Moses was received by The Queen upon his appointment as a Justice of the High Court when Her Majesty

Knighthood and invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Bachelor. Mr Derek Conway MP (Vice-Chamberlain of the Household) was received in audience by The Queen and presented an Address from the House of Commons to which Her Majesty was graciously pleased to make reply.

This afternoon a party of child-

ren and their teachers were re-ceived by The Queen at the Garden Entrance, Buckingham Palace. The children planted dalfodil bulbs in the garden of Buckingham Palace and subsequently in Green Park to mark next year's Golden Wedding Anniversary of The Queen and The Duke of

Edinburgh.
The Duke of Edinburgh arrived at Royal Air Force Northolt this afternoon from Canada. Lieutenant-Colonel Charles

Richards was in attendance. His Royal Highness. President. this evening attended a Dinner for Past and Present Chairmen of the Central Council of Physical Recreation at the Oriental Club,

Today's royal

engagements

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Dame Diana

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will visit St Michael's A Memorial Service for Dame Hospital. Warwick, at 11,15; will visit the Lord Leycester Hospital at 11.55; and will visit Warwick Castle at 1230. Later they will visit Bancroft Gardens, Stratford-upon-Avon at 3.00; they will visit King Edward VIIth Grammar School at 3.20: and they will visit the Town

Princess Margaret, as President of The Guide Association, will meet members of the Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumberland and North Typeside Guide Counties at the Civic Hall. Wallsend, Tyne and Wear, at 2.25; and will open Rothbury House, the Royal Air Forces Association's new convalescent/respite care home at Rothbury, Northumberland, at

The Duke of Kent, as President of Action Japan, will attend a committee meeting and luncheon at the Berkeley Hotel at 12.45.

Reader Harris

in Sherborne Abbey, Dorset, on Friday, January 31, 1997, at 2.30pm a reception afterwards. It would be helpful if those planning to attend could send a card to: The Secretary, Sherborne School for Girls, Sherborne, Dorset, DT9 3QN. Telephone: 01935 812245, Fax: 01935 814973.

Luncheon

The Duke of Bragança was the guest of honour at a function held vesterday at the Athenaeum. Mi Peter Bander-van Duren and Mr Colin Smythe were the hosts. Among those present were:

The Archbishop of Thyateira and Great Britain, the Portuguese Ambassador and Mrs Da Costa-Lobo, the Duke of Norfolk, KG. and the Duchess of Norfolk, Lord Mowbray and Stourton, the Hon Gerard Noel and Sir Sigmund and Lady Sternberg.

Birthdays today

The Marquess of Abergavenny, KG, 82: Lord Allanbridge, 71: Mr Rupert Allason, MP, 45: Professor plant pioneer, 74: Mr Geoffrey Bell. former chairman, Guinness Mahon Holdings, 57: Mr Alain Delon, actor, 61: Mr Ken Dodd, comedian and singer, 65; Mr Edward Goldsmith, ecologist, 68; Mr Frederick Gore, painter, 73: Mr D.A. Head, former chairman, Rolls-Royce and Associates, 71: Sir Gordon Higginson, former Vice-Chancellor, Southampton University, 67; Mr Kazuo Ishiguro, au thor. 42: Lord Justice Leggatt. 66: Sir Denis Mahon, FBA, art hisnt): Mr Rifat Ozbek, fashion de

signer, 43. Mr Martin Peters, footballer, 53; Sir James Redmond, former director of engineering, BBC, 78: Mr William Reid, former director, National Army Museum, 70; Professor Sir Robert Shields, President of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, 66: Mr Jain Sproat, MP, 58.

Memorial service

Mr Peter Raftery

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr Peter Raftery, former diplomat, was held yesterday in the Queen's Chapel of the Savoy. The Rev John Robson officiated. Mr Brian Berry read the lesson and Miss Mairead Holt read Mise Rafteri in Gaelic, Sir Alan Urwick and Mr Frank Barton gave addresses. Mr Tim Dowd. Uilleann pipes, played The South West Wind. Members of the family, members of the diplomatic service and many other friends were present.

Manorial Society of Great Britain

Mr Robert Smith, Chairman of the Manorial Society of Great Britain, welcomed members and guests at the Reform Club, London, last night to mark publication by the Society of The House of Commons. 700 wars of British tradition. a history of the lower House. Lord Weatherill (Speaker from 1983-1992) accepted a Limited Edition on behalf of the Library of the House of Commons. Among those

House of Commons. Among those present were:

The Earl of Shrewsbury, the Earl of Shannon, Viscount Gormanston, Lord De Freyne, Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, Sir Collin Cole. Sir Patrick Cormack. MP, Sir Peregrine Worsthorne, the Right Hon J Enoch Powell, Ms Dilly Barlow. Ms Emily Bearn. Dr. David Carpenter, Mr Richard Compton-Miller, Mr Nirf Deva, MP. Miss June Fleid, Mr Ralph French. Patrick Hannigan of Dirieton, Mr Kenneth Harris, Mr John Hibbs. Mr George Jones. Mr Michael Jones. Mr Trevor Kenyon. Mr Andrew Mitchell, MP, Mr John Moore. Mr Simon Payling. Professor Kevin Sharpe. Mr David Shaw. MP. Dr David Starkey and Mr Michael Stephen, MP.

Service luncheons

Ladies' Naval Luncheon Club Baroness James of Holland Park was the guest speaker at the autumn luncheon of the Ladies' Naval Luncheon Club held yesterday at Lincoln's Inn. Lady Brown, chairman of the club.

Major R.J. Henderson, chairman. presided at the liftieth annual reunion luncheon of the 4th Indian Division (1939-1947) Officers

4th Indian Division

Association held yesterday at the Naval and Military Club. Levant Schooner Flotilla Commander A.C. Seligman pre-sided at the annual luncheon of the Levant Schooner Flotilla held yes-terday at the Royal Tharnes Yacht Club.

At Home

Lady Mayoress The Lady Mayoress was At Home at the Mansion House yesterday to members of the Court of Alder-men, the Court of Common Council. representatives of the Church, the City and civic organisations, the judiciary and City Livery Companies and their ladies.

Loriners' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Loriners' Company for the ensuing year: Master, Mr John A. Bischoff Upper Warden, Mr Graham B.

Under Warden, Mr Edward I.

Concert United Oxford and Cambridge

University Club Sir Bryan Nicholson. Chairman of the United Oxford and Cambridge

University Club, presided at a concert given by the Oxford and Cambridge Musical Club last night at 7! Pall Mall to mark the end of of Purcell's tercentenary уеаг.

Appointment The Nuffield Trust for the Forces

of the Crown Mr F.D.S. Rosier has been appointed to be an Ordinary Trustee as the successor of Lord Stokes who retires after 24 years.

Dinners

Venice honours

Lady Clarke, President of Venice in

Peril, was made an honorary citizen of Venice last night during

celebrations marking 30 years of

the international restoration effort

Massimo Cacciari, the Mayor of Venice, paid tribute to the "excep-

tional contribution" made by Lady

Clarke and her late husband. Sir

Ashley Clarke, the founder of

Venice in Peril, who died in 1994. Signor Cacciari said the "enthu-

siasm, energy and sheer intelli-gence" of Venice in Peril had

nsured the success of the restora-

tion projects. The continuing work

vital. Venice faced not only pollu-

tion and subsidence but also the

pressures of mass tourism and a

declining population.

The thirtieth anniversary was

also marked by the unveiling of

new restorations, including the Cappella Grimani in the Church of

San Francesco della Vigna, dedi-cated to Sir Ashley Clarke.

Lord Hussey of North Bradley was

Guest of Honour and Speaker at a Club Evening on Thursday, November 7. The Club Chairman,

Sir Peregrine Rhodes, presided.

BIRTHS: Edmond Halley, astro-

Dracula. Dublin. 1847: Sir Arnold

Bax, Master of the King's Musick

DEATHS: John Milton, poet, London, 1674; Thomas Bewick,

wood engraver. Gateshead. 1828; Cesar Franck. composer, Paris, 1890; Vyacheslav Molotov, Rus-

sian statesman, Moscow, 1986.

Covent Garden market closed,

London. 1656: Bram novelist, author of

Anniversaries

1941-55, London, 1883.

Travellers Club

nesco and the 24 internation "Save Venice" committees was

which followed the 1966 floods.

Lady Clarke

The International Institut of Biotechnology Prince Michael of Kent and Prince Erik de Bourbon-Parme attended the fellows' dinner of the Inter-

Victor Keats with the Cantonese ivory chess set he has given to the House of Commons

on permanent loan to replace the set presented by the US Congress in 1897, half of which was stolen last year. Mr Keats, a chess set collector and author, made the

presentation to mark the publication of a number of his books including Chess: its origin, the first translation of a Latin book written in 1694 by an Oxford

professor, which Mr Keats describes as the "mother of all chess books"

national Institute of Biotechnology held last night at the Royal Society. Earlier, Dr J. Craig Venter delivered the 1996 medal lecture entitled The Genome Project: from Man to Microbe. The medal and award were donated and pre-sented by Professor W.G. Haydon Baillie, the life President of the International Institute of Bio-

echnolgy.
Dr J. Craig Venter, Professor I. Endo, Dr S. Gianinazzi and Dr D.J. Hardman were admitted to

Among others present were:
Dr A Anderson. Professor A
Atkinson. Professor C
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and Mrs T E Burlin. Dr and Mrs N
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Carey. Professor P H Clarke. Mr D
Coieman, Dr J H Colweil, Professor R
E Davies, Dr B Dixon and Mis R
Adams. Dr and Mis J C Dodd,
Professor C Edwards, Professor R B
Flavell, Sir Lesile Fowden, Dr C
Fraser, Mis D J Hardman. Mis Damar
Hawkins, Mis W G Haydon-Ballile.
Professor R B Heap, Professor and
Mis G Holt. Sir David and Lady
Hopwood, Professor and Mis K
Horikoshi, Dr and Mis D J Engram.
Professor and Mis J Lynch, Dr J
McArdell, Mr C Martin, Professor J
Melling, Dr N Poner, Dr W G Potter,
Sir Denis and Lady Rooke. Mis D M
Ruault, Professor K Stetter. Mr and
Mis N Talibot-Ponsonby. Dr Ming
Wei Wang, and Dr and Mis P Warren.
Royal Warrant Holders Royal Warrant Holders

Sir Colin Marshall were among the speakers at the annual dinner of the Royal Warrant Holders Association held last night at Grosvenor House. Mr Rober Gieve, president, was in the chair **Guild of Management**

Mr Brian O'Rorke, Master of the Guild of Management Consultants, presided at the Installation Dinner held last night at Skinners Hall. The Right Hon Sir Swinton Thomas and Alderman Sir Peter Levene were the guest speakers.

Service dinners

The Light Dragoons
Brigadier C.A.G. Wells, Colonel of
The Light Dragoons, presided at
the annual officers' dirmer held
last night at the Cavalry and

7th Middlesex Officers' Club Major K.S. Ayling, The London Regiment, was the principal guest at the annual dinner of the 7th Middlesex Officers' Club held last night at The London Regiment, Clapham. Lieutenant-Colonel J.D. Gunnell presided.

Fylde Officers' Association Mr Keith Taylor, Chairman of the Pylde Officers' Association, pre-sided at the annual reunion dinner held last night at the Savoy Hotel,

Colonel A.S. Moorby was the principal service guest and the High Sheriff of Lancashire was the principal civil guest. Commander Sutermiester, Naval Regional Officer Northern region, and Group Captain P. Brindle, Deputy Director of Personnel Manage-ment, RAF, were among those present

Buckinghamshire TAVRA The Lord-Lieutenant Cottesloe, KStJ, RN retd, JP, and Paterson, OBE, JP, were dined out on November 5. The evening was hosted by Colonel Alan Protheroe, CBE, TD, DL, the Chairman of Eastern Wessex and Mr Christopher Prideaux, DI, the Chairman of the County Committee. The Waterloo Band played.

Reception

British Red Cross The Duke of Kent was the guest of honour at a Royal Gala Performance of La Inaviata by the English National Opera held last night at the London Coliseum in aid of the British Red Cross. Lady Helen and Mr Tim Taylor attended a reception held afterwards at Grosvenor House.

Forthcoming . marriages

Mr C.M. Back and Miss K.S. O'Ferrall The engagement is armounced between Christopher, younger son

of Mr and Mrs Michael Back, of Eagle Farm, Standlake, Oxfordshire, and Susannah, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Patrick. O'Ferrall, of Ashstead Farmhouse, Godalming, Surrey.

Flight Lieutenant P.C. Brown

and Miss H.K. Selby
The engagement is announced between Peter, younger son of Mr and Mrs Michael Brown, of Cambridge, and Helen, elder daughter of Mrs Lynden Selby and the late Mr A.J. Selby, of Stockport. Cheshire.

Mr A.F. Burten and Miss S.C. McMullen

The engagement is announced between Aran, son of Mr and Mrs Derek Burtenshaw, of Park Street, Hertfordshire, and Sophie, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Alan McMullen, of St Albans. Hertfordshire. Mr B.J.R. Carr and Miss M.J.E. Percival

The engagement is announced between Benjamin John Ralph. only son of Mr and Mrs John Carr, of Little Tey, Colchester, and Miranda Jane Eithne, younger daughter of the late Mr Michael Percival and of Mrs Percival, of Huntingdon Road, Cambridge. Mr M.P.I. Chichester and Miss J.K. Allen

The engagement is announced between Matthew, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Jeremy Chichester, of Congresbury, Somerset, and Jill, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs David Allen, of Bierton,

Mr A.S. Cutner and Miss G.P. Coben

The engagement is announced between Affred, son of Mr and Mrs Lewis Cutner, of London, and Gina, younger daughter of the late Mr Martin Cohen and of Mrs

Mr A.J. Curtis and Miss S.D. Heim The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of Mr

and Mrs Gerald Curtis, of Thorpe Bay, Essex, and Dominique, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Paul Heim, of Langport, Somerset. Mr C. de Salis

and Miss L. Garino The engagement is announced between Christian, younger son of Mr and Mrs Nicholas de Salis, of Much Werdock. Shropshire, and Lori, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Vincent Garino, of Medway,

Mr P.J. Harrison and Miss A.S.J. Fortin

Massachussetts.

The engagement is announced between Peter, youngest son of Mr J. Harrison, of Silsoe, Bedfordshire, and Mrs P. Harris a. of Letchworth, Hertfordshire and Abigail, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Fortin, of Putney,

Mr O.B.A. Hughes and Miss V.E. Robson

The engagement is announced between Oliver Berkeley Allan, younger son of Mr and Mrs Allan Hughes, of Sapperton, Cirencester, Gloucestershire, and Victoria Eleanor, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Keith Robson, of South Otterington, Northallerton, North Yorkshire. Mr M. Maury

and Ms J. Hill

The engagement is announced between Michel, son of the late Roger Maury and of Mrs Claire Maury, of Pau, France, and Juliette daughter of Mr and Mrs Andrew Butler, of Zurich, Switzerland. Mr J.P. Newman

and Miss L.M. Reynolds

The engagement is announced between Julian, younger Un of Wing Commander and Mrs G.S. Newman, of Fornham All Saints, Suffolk, and Lucy, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Grant Reynolds, of Whepstead, Suffolk.

University news

Kings' College

The following have been elected to be fellow commoners from November 1, 1996 for five years in the first instance: Oliver Naimby Dawson (marriculated 1949), Anthony Lawritge, December 1949, Anthony thony Hamilton Doggart (matricu-lated 1988), Geoffrey Hazlitt Wilson (matriculated 1949).

King's College London Appointments to established

chairs . Dr John Deathridge to the King Edward Chair of Music. He was formerly a Reader in Music at

Cambridge University. Dr Irene Higginson to the Chair of Palliative Care and Policy Evaluation. She was formerly Senior Lecturer at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical

Health Authority. Dr John Stokes to the Chair of English Literature. He was formerly a Reader in English at

Warwick University. Dr Brian Street to the newly created Chair in Language Education. He was formerly Senior Lecturer in Social Anthropology at

Sussex University. Promotions to personal chairs

Dr John Butt, Reader in Hispanic Studies, to be Professor of Modern Hispanic Studies. Dr Alan Collins, Reader in Physics, to be Professor of Physics.

Dr David Cowan, Director of the Drug Control Centre, to be Professor of Toxicicology. of Pharmaceutical

Dr Alan Ebringer, Reader in Immunology, to be Professor of Immunology. Dr Farzin Farzaneh, Senior Lecturer in Molecular Medicine, to be

Professor of Molecular Medicine. Dr Conor Gearty, Reader in Law, to be Professor of Law.

Dr Friedhelm Hardy, Reader in Theology and Religious Studies, to be Professor of Indian Religions. Dr Efraim Karsh, Reader in War Studies, to be Professor of Mediterranean Studies.

Dr Malcolm Maden, Reader in Experimental Embryology, to be Professor of Developmental Biology. Dr Roland Mayer, Senior Lecturer

in Classics, to be Professor of Classics. Mrs Leonee Ormond. Reader in English, to be Professor of Vic-

Dr Roger Patient, Reader in Genetic Engineering, to be Professor of Molecular Genetics.

Dr Charles Polkey, Serior Lecturer in Neurology, to be Professor of Neurosurgery of Epilepsy. Dr David Robinson, Reader in

athematics, to be Professor of Mathematics. Dr Sarben Sarkar, Reader in

Physics, to be Professor of Theoretical Physics. Dr Christopher Thurstor Senior Professor of Microbiology.

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Dr Philip Whitfield, Reader Parasitology, to be Professor of Parasitology. Dr Michael Yianneskis, Reader in Fluid Mechanics, to be Professor of

Fluid Mechanics Promotion to Reader

Dr Michael Christie, Lecturer in Immunogenetics, to be Reader in

Dr Michael Curtis, Lecturer in harmacology, to be Reader in Pharmacology.

Dr Jim Hopkins, Lecturer in

Philosophy, to be Reader in Philosophy. Dr Louis Mahadevan, Lecturer in Molecular Biology, to be Reader in Cell Biology

Ms Elaine Player, Lecturer in Law. to be Reader in Criminology and Criminal Justice.

Dr Ali Rezazadeh, Lecturer in Electronic and Electrical Ehgineering, to be Reader in Microwave Photonics. Dr Alice Rogers, Lecturer in

Mathematics, to be Reader in Mathematics. Dr Gabriel Segal, Lecturer in Philosophy, to be Regier in Philosophy.

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AUBREY - On October 15th 1996, to Gillian (née CROCKER - On November 4th 1996 at The Princess Royal Hospital, Haywards Heath to Crispin (não Anson) and Stuart, a daughter, Georgina Lavinia Bose.

DISMEY - On November 6th, to Melissa (née Colston) and Patrick, a daughter, Laura Etizabeth WGE - On November 4tt 1996, to Sophia (née Bagnell) and Andrew, a son. Jamie, a brother for Thor KENNEDY - On 2nd November to Mia and Al, a daughter Ellen Groce.

KNOX - On 1st November at the Matida Hospital, Hong Kong, to Nicola (née John, a son, Sebastian Christopher Livingstone, a brother for Charlie and

November 4th 1996 at Cheisea and Westminster Hospital, London, to Laura (née Faber) and John, two daughtern, Mary Diana and Henther Tessa. TANNENBAUM - On October 29th, to Philippa Juul and Ron Tannenbaum, a beautiful daughter, Chi

TOLCHER - On 4th November, in Solihull, to Ann (nee Norris) and Edward, a son, Christopher James Connon. WiGHT - To Anastasia (née Alexander) and Robin a son, Quentin born safely at home on October 17th. A beautiful brother for Alexia. BIRTHS WESON - On 7th November 1996, to jacqueline and Darren, a beautiful son, Mackenzie, a brother for Jordan.

DEATHS

BOSWELL - Lan Irvine. On 5th November at home with his family. Devoted husband to Vera. Loving father and dear grandfather. Funeral at 11am on Wednesday 13th November at 5t Olaves Church, Ramsey, Isls of Man. Private cremation. No flowers. Donations to 5t Bridgets Hospice, Kensington Road, Douglas. Memorial Service 2 pm on Thursday 28th November at 5t Firmins, North Crawley.

November, deeply loved mother of Talita, beloved daughter of Annette and dearest sister of Neville. The dearest sister of Neville. The funeral service will take place at St Paul's, The Actors Church, Covent Garden, on fuesday 12th November at 11 am. No flowers. Donations if desired to charity, please sek family for details.

COPPER - Pat on 6th November very suddenly, after a long courageous battle with rheumatoid arthritis, just after arrival at "Dear rheumatota artaritas, just after arrival at "Dear Osborne". Beloved wife, mother and grandmother. Pat desired that her body be jeft for Arthritis Research - A Memorial Service is being

DEATHS DAVIES -November 1996, peacefully at Elstree Court Murring Home, Eastbourne Teacher, chorister and a gentleman who will be sorely missed. Now reunited with his beloved wife Alice Edith (Sallie). Funeral Service at Eastbourne Crematorium Family Chapel on Thursday 14th November at 11.15 am. Flowers to Holme & Son Ltd., 19 South Street, Eastbourne.

DAWKINS - Hilda Mary, DAWKINS - Hilda Mary, peacefully at home on 5th November 1996, aged 87 years. Widow of Leonard, Mother of Peter, Penelope and Jeremy, Grandmother to James, Sarah, Natalie, Richolas and Alex Private Cremation. Thanksgiving Service at 5t Nicholas Church, Brockenhurst on Tuesday, 12th November at 2 pm. No flowers please. Donatioms to Age Concean or Donations to Age Concern or British Red Cross, c/o Dismond & Son Funeral

REMING - Susan Edith on 6th November in hospital in London after a long illness. Wife of Colonel Leslie Fleming, mother of Penny. Family funeral.

Family funeral

JACKEON - On November 7th,
peacefully in hospital, Anne
Kythe Mackenzie, beloved
wife of the late Richard
Jackson and dearly loved
mother of Jackie, Peppi and
Frances and gandmother of
Philip, Christopher and
Duncan Funeral Service,
Wednesday, November 13th,
2.30 pm at the Church of St
Mary the Virgin, Shipley, ur.
Horsham, Family flowers
only, but denations, if
desired, to The Friends of
King Edward VII Hospital,
Midhurst, West Sussex,
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LINES - Mary aged 81 peacefully at Bon Secons peacefully at Rom Seconss
Hospital, 5th November
1996. Reloved wife of (Roy)
Nicholas Lines and mother
of Diana, Susan, Margaret,
Nicholas and Thomas, grandmother of eight precious grandchildren. No Nowers; contributions if desired to National Schizophrenia Fellowship c/o Arnold Puneral Service, c/o Amold Puneral Service, 911 London Road, High 17810 CTF tel. Wycombe, HP10 9TF, tel: (01494) 472572. (01474)
Thanksgiving Service at St
Mary Magdalene Church,
Latimer, 12th November at
2pm.
MILLER - Father Kenneth

MILLER - Father Kenneth Huitson Miller, Rector of Wolstanton 1975-96, Bural Dean of Newcastle 1977-87, aged 65 years. Of your charity please pray for the repose of his noul. The dearly loved husband of Marjorie, devoted father of Caristopher, Catherine and Andrew, dear father in-law of Philip, who died suddenly but peacefully on November 1st at the North Staffs Royal Infimmary, fortified with the rites of Roly Church on whose soul sweet Jesus have rites of Holy Church on whose soul sweet Jesus have mercy RIP. Reception into St Wulstam's Church, Wolstamton, on Sunday evening November 10th at 4.30 pm. Requiem Mass on Monday November 11th at 2.30 pm followed by cremation at Bradwell Crematorium. Will relatives accept this the only intimation and friends please meet at the church. No flowers by request. Donations preferred to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, Priest Training Find, St Margaret's or St Wulstam's, Wolstanton. Donations and enquiries C. McGough & Sons, Tunstall, tel: (01782) 834300.

PRYER - Dr. Derek Loriner
FFARCS, died suddenly om
November 6th. Loved and
loving husband of Anne and
desarest father of Michael
and Mary Private Cremation.
Service of Thanksgiving at
St. Mary's Church,
Wolbozough, Newton Abbot,
Devon on Friday 15th
November at 2.30 pm. Family
flowers only. Enquiries co
the Funeral Directors Hugh
Mills. Gaye (01626) 334444.

PIGGOTT - See Wood.

MOORE - Margaret Eileen, peacefully on 4th November. Much loved mother, grandmother, grandmother and friend. Committon on Monday, 18th November at Putney Vale Crematorium at 12 noon. Flowers and enquiries to Funeral Services Ltd., Petersfield, tel: (01730) 262711.

SALTER - Anthony Biyth on Toesday 5th Novamber 1996 peacefully at Caks Hospital, Colchester, after a short illness. Much lowed husband of Shirley and father of Mark, Andrew, Richolas and justin. Thanksgiving Service at 12:30 pm on Wednesday 13th Novamber 1996 at St John's Mathodist Church, Sudbury, Suffelk, preceded by private cremation in Colchester. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to Cancer Research clo W.H. Shephard, 93-94 High Street, Colchester.

Gloucestershire, aged 86, died peacefully at Harlehurst Nursing Home, Hazishust Nursing Home, Cheltenham, on 6th November 1996. Private cremation to be followed by a Service of Thanksplving at St Feter's Church, Winchessahe St Peter's Church, Winchcombe, on Fidday 15th November at 230 pm. Family flowers only please. Donations in his memory if desired to Earl Haig Fund clo Salim Spaint, 74 Prestbury Road, Cheltenham. /ASSALL-ADAMS - Katherb

SMITH-WOOD - Jack Leonard Ernest of Winchcombe, Gloucestershire, ased 86.

VASSAIL-ADAMS - Ratherine
Mary, widow of Jerroid, on
5th November 1996, dearly
beloved mother,
grandmother and greatgrandmother. Cremation
Chilterns Crematorium,
Amersham, Wednesday
November 13th at 10.30 am.
Thanksgiving Service St
Peter and St Paul,
Medmenham, 13th
November at 4 pm. Flowers
and enquiries to Sawyer
Funeral Service, Marlow,
(01628) 483331.
WALSH - Peter died on
Thursday 7th November
1996 peacefully after a
prolonged illness Peter will
be dearly missed by many,
For funeral arrangements
please contact A & E

please contact A & E Longhurst, Tel: (0181) 393-1077. Tel: (0181) 392-1077.
WATSON - On November 3rd
1996 the Reverend George
aged 35, of Woodmannote,
West Sussex, loving husband
of the late joan and very
dear father of Paul, Michael
and Ruth. Funeral Service
and Requien at
Woodmannote Parish Church

Woodmancote Parish Church on Tussday 12th November 12 noon followed by private cremation. No flowers please Demotions for Taxan

pleasa Donations for Terrys Cross Trust c/o C & T Radmall Funeral Services, tel: (01273) 494577.

WOOD - juliet Elizabeth jams (née Piggott) on 6th November 1996, Loved and loving wife of the late Earbert Fairlis Wood and friend to so mamy. Private cremarion. Service of Thanksgiving at the Chunch of St Peter and St Paul, Ewhurst, at 3 pm November 19th followed by interment of ashes. Enquiries to Pimm's Funeral Services. Pimm's Funeral Services, Cranleigh, (01483) 274079. MEMORIAL SERVICES

> TOWNSEND - A memorial service for John Townsen (L. Hammond & Co. 1947

THANKSGIVING SERVICES COTTRELL - These will be a Service of Thankspiving for the life of Michael Coursel at Farm Street Catholic Church, Mount Street, London Wi, or Thursday November 14th at 230 pm.

JELLICOE - Sir Geoffrey. A
Memorial Meeting to
celebrate the life and work
of Sir Geoffrey Jellicoe CBE
RA will be held at the Royal
Academy, Piccadilly, W1,
Tuesday Jamenry 7th 1997
at 6.30 pm.

(L. Hammond & Co. 1947-1972, John Townsend & Co. 1972-1987) will be hald at The Guild Church of St Margaret Pattens, Rood Lane, Eastcheap, London 5C3M 1HS, on Tuesday 3rd December at 12 noon. Afterwards, all friends and collespones will be welcome at the City Conference Centre, The Institute of Marine Engineers' Memodal Building, 76 Mark Lane, London 5C3.

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OBITUARIES

NEVILLE ROBINSON

Neville Robinson, Fellow of St Catherine's College, Oxford, 1962-92, died of a heart attack in Colmar, France, on October 19 aged 71. He was born on April 13, 1925.

eville Robinson was not merely an Oxford don but a physicist extraordinaire. Although he had officially retired from his university posts in 1992, his academic activity had continued unabated. He died at the beginning of a six-week research visit to Strasbourg. Born in Cambridge, Frank

Neville Hosband Robinson attended The Leys School and graduated in physics from Christ's College. From 1945 to 1950 he was a scientific officer at the Services Electronic Research Laboratory, Baldock He then went to Oxford as a research student for his doctorate, and continued thereafter as a Nuffield Research

He. Jim Daniels and Michael Grace achieved the first example of nuclear orientation; this was followed by the first nuclear cooling experiment in 1951, which produced the west ever temperature at that time: ten millionths of a degree above Absolute Zero.

Already, in these early years, his sense of humour and quick wit were an important part of the camaraderie during the long hours of latenight experiments. He was a Faculty Fellow of Nuffield College from 1957 to 1962, and while there he put forward a proposal that the college heatme system should derive its heat, using a heat pump based on the laws of thermodynamics. from a nearby Oxford wwer, but the idea was not taken up.

In 1962 he was elected as a Founding Fellow of the new St Catherine's College (formerly St Catherine's Society) and shortly thereafter became a unior research officer in the Ciarendon Laboratory. It was in the college context

hat Robinson's gifts as a tutor were given full rein, for it was such evident that his under-



graduates found him to be an inspirational teacher. As one of them remarked: "No one can spend long in his company without being made to think about things in a different, meaningful way." Central to his success were his gifts as a physicist, as a master both of experimental techniques, particularly in electronics, and in the relevant mathematical formalism.

For students and colleagues alike, Neville Robinson was a man to be revered, interested in everything and everyone, almost totally intolerant of pretension and inaccuracy, devastatingly authoritative as a critic, but endlessly willing to expound, in the company of his colleagues, yet one more time on the real understanding, which so often he alone possessed, of arcane areas of

Professionally, he made his mark early on with a paper on "Microwave shot noise and minimum noise factor, for which he was awarded the Clerk Maxwell Prize of the British Institute of Radio Engineers. His invention of the Robinson Marginal Oscillator marked the beginning of real scientific success in the field of nuclear magnetic resonance the fundamental basis of all MRI systems used in hospitals worldwide today. Robinson's Oxford career

was punctuated by regular periods of sabbatical leave. On three occasions (1954-55, 1965-66, 1973-74) he visited the Bell Telephone Laboratories and, both there and elsewhere in the United States, he consistently refused offers of academic posts.

His expertise in electronics was legendary. Not only were his circuits novel, miniature and beautifully constructed. but an absolute requirement

was always that they had to go inside a tobacco tin or snuff box - of which he kept a plentiful supply. He was constantly on the lookout for bargain price components, and would frequently saturate the laboratory with many years' supply of, say, cheap resistors.

His publications were nearly always on fundamental matters, and, of his books, Macroscopic Electromagnetism (1973) in which he gives an excellent discussion of the nature of microscopic fields in solids, a problem first raised by Lorentz, is now the stan-

He always had the greatest respect and admiration for the works of Lord Rayleigh, and delighted in being able to refer to him in publications. Following the untimely death of his close colleague (and Fellow at St Catherine's College), Harry Rosenberg, he was beginning to take a keen interest in the cataloguing of the Rayleigh papers and memorabilia.

In his last years Robinson made considerable contributions to the physics of nonlinear systems, almost entirely through his ability to simulate the appropriate physical behaviour with comparatively simple but extremely well designed electronic circuitry.

As a physically-orientated mathematician, rather than a mathematical physicist, Robinson was regarded by colleagues as being in a class of his own for speed, accuracy and perception. His ability to quantify almost every physical phenomenon known to man enabled him to propose fascinating new mathematical models in quantum theory, mechanics, relativity and especially electromagnetism.

But, for all this, his feet were always firmly on the ground. He used to tell, with relish, of his uncle who as a plumber developed the ultimate test for the efficiency of a newlyinstalled lavatory: could one get rid of an entire copy of a daily newspaper in a single flush?

A man devoted to his family, he leaves his widow, Daphne, two daughters and a son.

GROUP CAPTAIN PATRICK FOSS

Group Captain Patrick Foss, OBE, a founder of RAF Air Transport Command, died on November 6 aged 82. He was born on November 8.

THE emergence of British Airways - in the shape of its forerunner BOAC - after 1945 owed much to the wartime experience of RAF Transport Command. As the war dragged on, men and materials, until then carried by sea, increasingly took to the air in

flights that spanned the world. Much of this development started during the North Africa campaign and the siege of Malta, both theatres of war in which ships were shown to be easy targets for aircraft and submarines. At the heart of it was Patrick Foss, then a

young wing commander.

Educated at Pangbourne Nautical College, Foss joined the RAF in 1932, though with a view to a career in civil aviation. But the war claimed his services and he was to remain an RAF man. in the summer of 1940 he flew in the Battle of Britain and took part in early bombing raids over Germany.

He was subsequently sent to Malta where he commanded a Wellington squadron operating from the island in sorties against Sicilian and southern Italian ports. Naples, Bari and Brindisi were all raided in the autumn of 1940 with the aim of harrying Italian supply lines to their forces in Albania from where they were attacking Greece — and in

Libya. In addition to being a potential hornet's nest of bombers Malta was also used as staging post for aircraft flying from Britain to Egypt where the Desert Air Force was being built up. This was a flight on which they were extremely vulnerable to attack by the air forces of both the Axis allies, quite apart from the fact that accurate navigation was required to find such a small island and many of the ferry crews were not particularly experienced, since seasoned crews were desperately required for the air defence of

Foss discovered that the casualty rate in ferrying aircraft to Malta - one in four was lost - was higher than that sustained by Bomber Command on operations over Germany. This angered him, and he drafted a training pamphlet How to find Malta in the dark. It caught his seniors' attention and he was ordered to report to the Air

Ministry in London. Aged 27, he was appointed Assistant Director of Organisation, Ferrving.

As such, he was responsible for organising the transport of airborne invasion forces as well as for flying high-ranking Russian and American officials and British VIPs. They included Churchill on his secret missions to the Mediterranean, Cairo, Casablanca, Moscow and eventually Yalta. In his autobiography, Climbing Turns, Foss describes his first encounter with Churchill. The Prime Minister asked: "Who is this young man?" Informed that Foss was his air transport adviser, Churchill looked at him and said, "So you are taking me to see Joe?" For a wild moment, Foss could not think who Joe might be. Then he realised that Churchill meant Joseph Stalin. "Yes, Sir," he replied. "Well," said Churchill, "what will it be like in Tehran? Will I need

warm underclothing?" in March 1943 Foss was promoted to Group Captain (Operations) to pioneer the newly formed Air Transport Command. Within a year, the new command had expanded from ten people to 700. During the D-Day landings in Nor-mandy. Transport Commandy. mandy, Transport com-mand's 38 Group carried the Army's airborne forces in some 200 Dakota C47s.

Towards the end of the war, Foss was posted to command the new School of Air Transbury Plain. "Nothing better could have happened to me." he said later. "It was an opportunity to advance the cause closest to my heart - to train officers, who were being moved from fighting commands to transport, in the ways of operating and managing a new concept of flying." By the end of the war, some 300 officers had passed

through the air transport school.

A cheerful and unsophisticated faith characterised Foss, both in war and peace. In the 1930s he had become a recruit to the Oxford Group (later Moral Re-Armamenti which had challenged him to make a daily practice of "trust and teamwork, coupled with asking God to show what is right", as he put it. From this, he claimed, sprang much of his initiative and willingness to carry responsibility.

In early 1947 he set out supposedly to recuperate from the exhaustion of war - with two companions on a hazardous journey piloting a singleengine Percival Proctor across Europe and via Kenya to the Cape. Kenya became his second home, and he moved there with his wife Margaret after their marriage in 1952.

There, they devoted their whole time to Moral Re-Armament. It was the period of the Mau Mau uprising against British colonial rule. Foss got to know Jomo Kenyatta, later Kenya's first President, and others of Mau Mau's Kikuyu leaders. He perceived that such men. arrested for their involvement in the Mau Mau underground, should not be merely held in detention camps but reorientated to lead their people in nation-building. This led to the creation of a new camp at Athi River where such an approach was appthe Athi River experiment went on to hold responsible posts in independent Kenya.

Patrick Foss returned to England in 1960. From 1961 he acted for 20 years as secretary of the Friends of the Westminster Theatre, which at the time served as one of MRA's main propaganda arms.

He leaves his widow Margaret and a son and daughter.

JOHN GREGORY

John Gregory, dancer, director, teacher and writer, died on October 27 aged 82. He was born on April 15, 1914.

JOHN GREGORY was a dreamer who fell in love with haller - specifically with Rus-van ballet - and spent the rest of his life trying to realise his dream. As dancer, directer enoreographer, teacher, regarder and propagandist, was indefatigable. Although his efforts came to less than he hoped, he never lost :-> enthusiasm or determinat-

His most valuable idea. probably, was that of forming a small company to take cassical ballet to towns, colfree and schools unable to autommodate larger com-partes, Harlequin Ballet, as it was called, ran for nearly ten years from 1959 and demonrated a need for such activity which has not really been met ry the various subsequent

Before discovering ballet,

Gregory had already spent some years in other kinds of artistic activity. Born in Norwich he began to work in a cattle auctioneers' office, but developed an interest in acting and was involved for five vears with the Norwich Players at the Maddermarket Theatre, where he learnt stage management under their producer Nugent Monck and worked his way up from walkon roles to parts which includ-Eugene Marchbank in Shaw's Candida. The painter Edward Seago

admired Gregory at the Maddermarket and engaged him as his personal assistant. During this period Gregory himself began to paint and for the rest of his life derived pleasure from it. It was also Seago who first took him to the ballet, seeing de Basil's Ballet Russe in London and Rene Bhum's rival, Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo, in New York. Watching works such as Les Sylphides and Giselle, and dancers including Markova. Riabouchinska, Lifar and Massine inspired Gregory



with his devotion to the dance. Consequently, when he had parted from Seago and was working as an understudy at the Westminster Theatre, Gregory began attending evening classes in ballet given by Igor Schwezoff. He had started, in his mid-twenties. far too fate to become a notable dancer, but he was

able during the war (when he had registered as a conscientious objector) to find employ ment dancing in operas, musicals and with various small companies, including the Anglo-Polish ballet where he met his wife, Barbara

Vernon. She had been one of the favourite pupils of the late

Nikolai Legat, an outstanding teacher from St Petersburg who settled in London, and she instilled in Gregory Legat's methods and theories. Together in 1949 the couple, after starting a family, opened their own school of Russian Ballet in Chelsea and the next year formed the Federation of Russian Classical Ballet. Harlequin Ballet was formed from their pupils and

for a time attracted Arts Council support, Tamara Karsavina was persuaded to mount extracts from Petipa's Les Millions d'Harlequins for them, and other distinguished names lent their patronage. Probably the most popular items were the lively folk dance compilations which usually closed the programmes. Presentation was always scrupulous and neat, but the dancers available to them were not of the highest standard and eventually the subsidy was ended, forcing the company to fold in spite of all the protests Gregory was able to make. Thereafter the couple con-

tinued to teach and lecture in many parts of the world, and Gregory wrote several books, including one on Legat and another on ballet in St Petersburg. He also contributed articles to newspapers and magazines. In spite of illness, he was working on other books up to his death. To mark his eightieth birthday he and his wife established the Legat Foundation, and Barbara Vernon's collection of memorabilia is to be preserved at Bretton Hall, Wakefield. He is survived by his wife Barbara and their son and

BOX HILL SAVED.

erable concern was occasioned by the circula-

tion of a statement to the effect that Box Hill was about to be sold for building purposes.

Box Hill had been so long resorted to by the

public as an open space possessing attractions

of unusual interest and beauty that it had

come to be regarded in the popular mind as a public possession. The societies accustomed to

the difficult task of preserving public rights

fully realized, however, that, in a strictly legal sense, the rights of the people over Box Hill began and ended in the right to use the few defined roads and paths which traverse the

land. It is true that, by the generous

forhearance of the owners, people had for generations been allowed to wander at will

through the plantations of box trees and

groves of venerable yews which clothe the slopes of Box Hill with a perennial mantle of

verdure. It is true too, that picnic parties had

been allowed freedom of access to the brow of

the hill, which looks out over glorious vistas of

park and meadow, woodland and moor,

flecked here and there with the red roofs of

villages, or bright patches of water marking

the site of ancient fish ponds. But such use is

insufficient to establish any legal claims that can be advanced to prevent inclosure or

In the spring of the present year consid-

daughter.

PRINCE GUY DE POLIGNAC Prince Guy de Polignac, former managing director of the

champagne house Pommery & Greno, died on October 18 aged 91. He was born in Paris on April 29, 1905.

GUY DE POLIGNAC was the eldest of three sons and two daughters of Prince Henri de Polignac, an air ace who was killed in action in the skies over Champagne in 1915. His mother Diane belonged to the countly (as opposed to princely) side of the family. Through her, de Polignac was a cousin of Prince Rainier of Monaco.

The Polignacs are an old French family, established at Chalencon in the Haute Loire as long ago as 1205. Jules François-Armand, Vicomte de Polignac, who died in 1817. established three lines of the family through his sons, of which the ducal line has died

Guy was the head of the princely branch. He served in the French cavalry, held the Croix de Guerre and was a Commander of the Legion of Honour.

He was on the board of the



Petit Parisien from 1937 to 1957 (his wife being the granddaughter of the proprietor, Jean Dupuy), and vice-presifrom 1940 to 1953. From 1952 to 1980 he was president and director-general of Pommery & Greno. One of his abiding passions

was the Order of Malta, of which he rose to become Bailiff Grand Cross. From 1952 to 1975 he was president of the French enterprises of the order concerned with hospitals. During these years the order was established in Africa, two leper villages were built in the Congo and de Polignac led delegations to Africa. In addition, the first dispensary was established in the Lebanon in 1956. De Polignac was also president of the society of the history of the De Polignac came to cham-

pagne through his maternal grandmother, Louise Pommery. He welcomed the increase in champagne consumption in Britain in the late 1950s. But thirty years later he detected a decline in British consumption which he attributed to heavy import

duty. His staff always received a bottle of Pommery with their Friday wage cheque. When asked at what age the young should be introduced to champagne, he pronounced: "It should wet a baby's lips at christening, and one should drink a glass before dying. In between, that is up to you!"

De Polignac married, in 1931, Gladys Dupuy and they had a son. Henri (born in 1950, but killed in a plane crash) and four daughters. His wife died in 1987.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



PERSONAL COLUMN

ON THIS DAY

November 8, 1913

George Meredith lived near this wellknown Surrey beauty spot and in an inn near by Keats is said to have completed Endymion.

building, particularly when, as at Box Hill. the land cannot be shown to be a common. In these circumstances, it was realized that nothing remained save to buy out the private interests of the owner; and, accordingly, negotiations were at once opened by the National Trust and the Commons and Footpaths Preservation Society for the acquisition of the hill. Steps were taken to secure an option for the purchase of the property with a view to the issue of an appeal for the large amount which was necessarily involved.
Fortunately, however, the need for concerted action on the part of the open space

societies has been obviated by the public

spirited intervention of a resident in the district, and we are happy to be in the position to announce that a contract has now been signed for the purchase of the land in order that Box Hill may be permanently preserved for the use and enjoyment of the community.

The benefactor to whom the nation is indebted for this magnificent gift is Mr Leopold Salomons, of Norbury Park. Dorking. The action of Mr. Salomons may be attributed to the happy coincidence that, from the beautiful grounds of Norbury Park, crowds of pedestrians may be seen on any Bank Holiday toiling up the steep glissade above Burford Bridge; knowing therefore, from personal observation how greatly access to the hill is appreciated by the public, Mr. Salomons resolved to take the necessary steps to ensure that those who value Box Hill should never be deprived of their accustomed privileges. He may rest assured that, by his munificence, he will receive the gratitude of the thousands of town-dwellers to whom an excursion to Box Hill has been a never-failing source of delight. Mr. Salomons, too, has placed under a lasting obligation the growing band of enthosiasts who have found in this famous stretch of unspoiled upland scenery welcome facilities for following their bent without irksome restrictions. WITHOUT TO SERVICE STATE OF THE SERVICE STATE OF TH

NEWS Holiday firms face monopoly query

Thomson and Airtours, Britain's largest holiday companies, were yesterday referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission as part of an investigation of the entire travel industry that could initiate a wide-ranging shake-up.

The investigation will examine the ownership by a few companies of their own tour operators, travel agencies and airlines to see if they use their dominance of the industry to control supply and fix prices

Britain rebuffs French action over Zaire

Britain refused to entertain a French plan for a military expedition to northern Zaire and Rwanda where fighting between Tutsis and Hutus is threatening to become a humanitarian disaster. The Prime Minister is to discuss the crisis with President Chirac todayPage 1, 14, 15

Pensions fraud

pounds by claiming the pensions of colonial and military staff. Elias Zureik, a Jordanian, set up an elaborate fraudPage 1

Gordon Brown's parents were astonished to learn that the Shadow Chancellor had cited their highpowered business careers to offset claims that he lacked entrepre-

Major attacks France John Major delivered a surprising broadside against the French economy as he flew for a meeting with President Chirac to spell out Britain's demands for the future of the European Union Page 2

Pensioner jailed

A pensioner who shot and wounded three abusive young day-trippers disturbing the peace of his country cottage was jailed for two yearsPage 3

Back to school

Schools and fashion are storing up back problems for children, say osteopaths, worried about bags loaded with books, sports kit, and other lumber Page 5

BA luggage bill

The cost to British Airways of compensating passengers who 'lost' their luggage for up to two days is expected to reach tens of thousands of pounds Page 7 tion ..

Nepali heir 'must go'

A British Embassy accountant The millionaire head of a comstole hundreds of thousands of mune based in an English castle may take his followers into exile after a court upheld a decision to deport the Nepali teenager he has made his heir

Brown's business past Church tribunals The Church of England is prepar-

ing to replace its 900-year-old open courts for erring clergy with secret tribunals after disquiet among clergy at the washing of dirty linen in public.....Page 9 Soldier honoured

A teenage soldier's baptism of fire in Bosnia, on his first operational tour abroad, won him an award for an "exemplary act of gallantry"

Yeltsin back on feet

President Yeltsin reassured Russians yesterday that he was back in control of the country, as doctors reported that he was now able to walk by himself .. Page 12 Bhutto reunited

Benazir Bhutto was allowed to meet her husband, Asif Ali Zardari, in a remote boarding house where he is being held under armed guard Page 13

US consensus elusive Behind post-election talks of consensus between Democrats and Republicans, the ingredients are talling into place for four years of confrontation and frustra-..... Page 17

Personalised silks a racing certainty

■ The British Horseraging Board is betting that the equine equivalent of personalised number plates will prove a winner with owners. Three sets of plain racing silks, never available before, are to be auctioned by Sotheby's for up to £30,000 each. Plain silks are considered more desirable than decorated versions, partly because of their exclusivity...

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Supermarket job losses: Kwik Save, the discount retailer, is to shut more than 100 stores with the loss of 1,900 jobs in an attempt toPage 25 restore profits......

Costain suspension: Shares in Costain, the building company. were suspended for the second time this year ahead of an announcement on the sale of its American coal mining business......Page 25

Gas bill anger: British Gas has restored its right to disconnect customers although complaints contimue about wrong billings Page 25 Markets: The FT-SE 100 fell 35,3 to 3900.4. On foreign exchange markets, the pound rose from \$1.6418 to \$1.6468 but fell from DM2.4896 to

DM2.4826. The sterling index was

down 0.2 at 90.9...

Football: The World Cup organising committee has ruled that the abandoned match between Estonia and Scotland must be replayed by March 16 next year Page 48 Rugby union: Va'aiga Tuigamala,

who won 19 caps for New Zealand before switching to rugby league, will play for his native Western Samoa against Ireland next .. Page 42

Cricket: England are in the Algarve, working on their levels of fitness before leaving on their 14-week tour of Zimbabwe and New Zealand in a fortnight Page 44

Boxing: Mike Tyson seems at last to have begun to appreciate how important it is for a sporting hero to set the right example to the youth of America. . Page 43

after early frost. Most showers will be in the west, eastern areas having the

best of the sunshine, but the southwest will become more cloudy later.

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Scotland and Northern ireland will have a fairly bright start but showers will become heavy and frequent from the west and merge into more persistent rain for a time. Snow is

ikely on Scottish mountains. It will become rather windy. Temperatures will struggle to reach normal any-

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Trick or treat: David Sinclair reviews the pop album releases, with a disappointing follow-up from Tricky, and a modish stereotype

All soul's: The lord of bedroom soul, Alexander O'Neal, has put three lost years of drink and drugs behind him to concentrate on a comeback album......Page 37

Healing power: Eleanor Bron and Prunella Scales star in Terrence McNally's play, A Perfect Ganesh, as two women in search of a cure for grief.....Page 38

Music man: American playwright Jon Marans has drawn inspiration from Schumann for his curiously European play Old Wicked Songs, which opens next week, starring Bob Hoskins ..

Duchess of YorkPage 18 Home front: Valerie Grove interviews Albert Scardino on the trials of being house husband to the new head of Pearson Page 19

> Boarding revolution: State boarding schools are enjoying a boom as parents find they offer more for

Royal tales: "I have nothing to feel

guilty or ashamed about. Sarah

always meant me to be her biogra-

pher. She even faxed me entries

from her diary. My book is the

truth. Allan Starkie talks to No-

reen Taylor about his book on the

Sign here: Would home-school contracts have had any impact at The Ridings or any school with disciplinary problems?..... Page 35

Above board: Governors must share the blame for failing schools: a former head teacher says she felt let down by her board......Page 35

France's proposal to send a contingent of 5,000 men to east Zaire constitutes both a courageous initiative - which must be greeted as such - and a challenge to her partners. The initiative is couragrous because it breaks with the sprictly humanitarian thinking which is no longer realistic in this case. Paris was right to set the cat among the pigeons

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Affirmative reaction The 1996 election may not altered the composition of A ca's political leaders. This i against discrimination on groof gender or race will profoud affect their agenda.....

Guts and gloire

The French proposal for Zaires conceived, impractical and de signed more to boost the faltering position of France in Africa than address the conflict...... Page 21

Manifesto promises

There should be a welcome for the response of Michael Howard to the campaign against combat knives launched by Frances Lawrence in 🔅

PHILIP HOWARD

Tufton Buftons and other senior backbenchers (knights from the ; shires) were once grandee material. especially if they could change out of their tweeds to become "men in

Germany does not trust its "partners" to do what monetary union would require. It insists on legal rules, to enable Brussels to profit politically from the financial disaster of monetary union Page 20 PETER RIDDELL

Sir Humphrey Appleby lives. The star of Yes Minister would have been proud of the Government responses to proposals from Con mons committees on strengthenis ministerial accountability a open government...

Neville Robinson, physi Group Captain Patrick Foss neer of RAF air transport. Gregory, ballet dancer and te er, Prince Guy de Polignac, mer head of Pommery champa

National Children's Bureau ruptive pupils; criticism of r nium dome; dress code teachers....

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IN THE TIMES

TRAVEL Win a luxurious eightday tour of India's Golden Triangle, in Weekend

TV GUIDE., Your seven-day guide to television, satellite and radio, in The Directory

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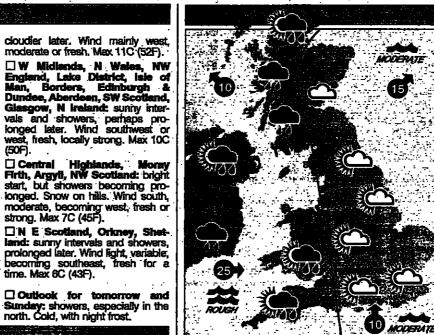
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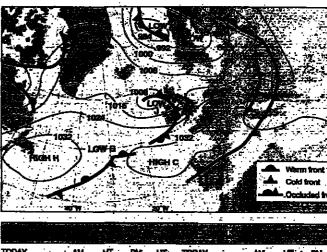
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Costain future in doubt on freezing of shares

By Eric Reguly

THE future of Costain was in the balance last night after the ailing construction and engineering group suspended dealings in its shares.

The suspension, the second this year, came as the shares were trading unchanged at 46p, giving the company, the industry's faller star, a market value of only £95 million. Costain said that the suspension was pending news of its "continuing asset disposal process and subsequent financial arrangements".

No details were available and even Costain's brokers said that they had been given no hint about the pending announcement, which will probably be made this morning

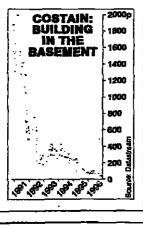
after a board meeting.
One analyst said it is possible that Costain, given its track record, will say that no buyer has been found for its coal business He said the collapse of the company could not be ruled out, though the probability was thought to he small because of a

financing earlier this year. The coal business, with a book value of about £50 million, has been for sale for some time, its dîsposal considered crucial to securing the heavily indebted company's long-term financial health.

Costain disappointed shareholders in July when it disclosed that a deal to Lonrho had fallen apart at the last minute. Only three days earlier, Costain had said that an agreement had been reached. An analyst said: "They could have sold the coal division two or three times in the past, but they always backed off because they thought they could get a better price." Costain seemed to be on

firmer footing in the spring when it raised £74 million through a rescue package that gave a 40 per cent equity stake to a new Malavsian investor. However, the group was soon hit by construction delays on the Newbury bypass and lack of new contracts. As a result, it reported a £19.2 million interim loss (loss of

£10.4 million, previously). At the time, Alan Lovell. chief executive, said that Costain was "feeling good



Discounter opts for reductions as profits plunge in face of competition

Kwik Save to close stores and cut staff

KWIK SAVE GROUP is to close 107 stores and shed 1,900 staff after a widely expected plunge in full-year pre-tax profit to £90.3 million. On top of the 28 per cent dive

in pre-tax profit before exceptionals, a store closurerelated provision of £87.5 million further crushed the figure to £2.8 million. But shares in the group rose 1712p to 32112p on news of the restructuring.

The discount retailer has fallen victim to the introduction of basic ranges from the main

supermarket chains and com-

petition from European rivals. The loss per share was 14.61p, compared with earnings of 51.68p last year. Despite the meagre profit, the group declared a final dividend of 14.05p, maintaining its fullyear dividend at last year's level of 20p a share.

Graeme Bowler, chief executive, said:"Despite the profit decline, we maintained our dividend payout because we have a strong cashflow and balance sheet. That also showed our confidence in the new strategy."

The strategy, dubbed New Generation Kwik Save, was the result of the £4 million consultancy work by Arthur Andersen commissioned earlier this year to rescue the group from sagging profit and shrinking market share. Although the review introduces widespread changes to the group, retail analysts showed reservations over its effectiveness in fending off competition and enhancing

The review will trim the

group's store total from 979 to 872 over the next year and cut 1,900 jobs from its 23,000 staff. Scotland tops the list with 25 dosures, followed by the South East and London.

Mr Bowler said the group has been talking to the unions and was confident that the group could take in 90 per cent of the staff affected. "With the high attrition and staff turnover rate, we should be able to relocate about 90 per cent of



Bowler: initiatives

Mr Bowler said. The group label products covering 100 lines starting from spring next year as alternatives to the national brands. Coupled with the "no frills" economy range, there will be a three-tier brand

Other initiatives include broadening the ranges in chilled and convenience food, health and beauty, making fresh foods a priority and giv-ing stores a face-lift to make them more user-friendly. Three quarters of its business systems will be replaced, and electronic payment equipment

wili be upgraded. The total cost of the restructuring is £105.5 million, with £87.5 million included as an exceptional item last year and a further £18 million spread over the next two years. Projected capital expenditure for next year is £50 million, rising to £100 million the year after. The group reckoned that the

vestment could be recouped

in three to five years' time. Lawrence Sugarman, analyst at Kleinwort Benson, said:"In terms of future, there is a lot of hope, but little in terms of concrete evidence. I am not convinced that this is the mark for the company's turnaround." But in view of shedding the loss-making operations and the investment in ipgrading services, he adjusted the profit forecast for next year upwards from €75 mil-

ion to £81 million. 🤲 Paul Smiddy, Credit Lyonnais Laing analyst, said the shake-up, was a high risk venture that incurred high overhead costs. He reduced his profit forecast from £74 million to £61 million. "It is trying to emulate the supermarket leaders." he said.

Kwik Save maintained its market share of 8.3 per cent customer transactions a week, making it the fifth-largest retail chain in the country.

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TODAY

Brent 15-day (Jan) \$21.95 (\$21.80)

Shopping sprint Retail sales are increasing

late 1980's, the advance found in all sectors according to the CBI's distributive trade survey, which was published yesterday.

Street sold

Shaftesbury, the property company that owns Chinatown, vesterda moved to expand its West End property portfolio with the £90 million purchase of Carnaby Street, one of London's most famous

Rate fear pushes market lower

By MICHAEL CLARK, STOCK MARKET CORRESPONDENT

THE prospect of another rise in interest rates hung over the stock market as both government securities and equities suffered further hefty fails. The 95-point rise by the Dow Jones industrial average on Wall Street overnight, which greeted President Clinton's election victory, failed to have much impact in London where an early 17-point lead by the FT-SE 100 index was quickly reversed.

At one stage, the index dipped briefly below the 3,900 support level before closing 35.3 down at 3,900.4. It has now fallen 172.8 in just over a fortnight since hitting its all-time high of 4,073.2 on October 21.

Investors in London chose instead to concentrate their attention on Wednesday's call by the Bank of England for another rise in interest rates. Only last week, Kenneth Clarke, Chancellor of the Exchequer, signalled the first ncrease in rates for two years

with a quarter-point rise to 6 per cent. But the move was criticised

by City economists who said he could have been more adventurous. They recognised the need for a tightening of monetary policy to fight inflationary pressures, but complained that a rise of half a point would have been comfortably absorbed by the market and avoided the ner-vousness created by the prospect of having to face up

to another rise. Government securities have been particularly hard hit by the move to dearer money. Prices were again falling sharply yesterday with losses at the longer end stretching to £ì in places.

The strength of the pound is also proving difficult for Britain's exporters with doubleamong blue-chip companies.

Stake in Chelsea Village | Goldman Sachs may be sold after dispute trader resigns

By JASON NISSE

THE trustees of the estate of the late Matthew Harding may sell his 25 per cent stake helsea Village, the owner of Chelsea, the Premiership football club, after the resigna-tion of Peter Middleton, the former chief executive of Lloyd's of London.

Mr Middleton, who now heads the European operation of Salomon Brothers, was described by advisers to the Harding estate as "representing Matthew's interests" on the Chelsea board.

He had been involved in negotiations, before Mr Harding's death, to bring in fresh equity finance to the club to enable it to move swiftly forward with the redevelopment of the south and west stands of Stamford Bridge, Chelsea's ground.

Alan Shaw, Chelsea's company secretary, said that Mr Middleton's departure would not change the club's plans for the ground. He also said that neither of the rumoured investors in the club - George Soros or Mark McCormack's IMG Group — had been in touch with Chelsea.

Mr Middleton stormed out of the club on Wednesday night after a boardroom row with Ken Bates, Chelsea's controversial chairman. His departure comes ten days after the Chel-



Middleton: resigned

sea board gave its unanimous support to Mr Bates, and Mr Middleton went on record saying: "Nothing will happen at Chelsea unless Ken Bates

agrees with it." A board meeting had been called on Wednesday evening to discuss issues to do with the development plans. Minutes after it started Mr Middleton tended his resignation. He then walked out of the meeting

which continued without him. Mr Shaw dismissed suggestions that Mr Middleton had proposed appointing another independent director to the board or was pressing to be appointed chairman of the company in place of Mr Bates. However the position of deputy chairman, which had been guaranteed to Mr Har-

Chelsea shares fell 11p to 96'ap on the news. Mr Mid-dleton declined to talk to The Times about his resignation.

ding until the middle of 1999,

BY ROBERT MILLER

THE senior gilts trader in tween a number of clients. The Goldman Sachs, one of the piggest American securities firms, yesterday resigned his post in London amid market peculation that the US firm has lost millions of pounds in a failed bid to corner the latest

Bank of England gilts auction. Goldman Sachs, which in the first nine months of the financial year reported world-wide profits of \$1.8 billion, last night confirmed that Andrew Duthie, 30, who joined it 21/2 years ago from Salomon Brothers, had left, but declined to comment on speculation or explain the abrunt departure. The auction at the centre of the controversy was the El.5 billion issue of 8 per

cent 2015 gilts.

Bank of England rules on gilt auctions state that no one firm or market-maker can take more than 25 per cent of any one issue directly onto its books, although much larger holdings can be spread beBank has been kept fully in-formed of the situation by Goldman Sachs, which has also confirmed its commitment to the UK gilts market. One City gilts trader said:

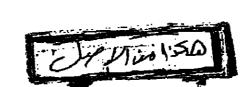
"It appears that Goldman Sachs tried to corner the market in this particular issue and what they could not take on themselves they persuaded clients to step in and buy. The market caught on to what they were doing and decided to have some fun. As the prices fell, the clients became uncomfortable and decided they wanted to get out." The speculation is that, as

well as buying up to £1.25 billion worth of the gilts auction, Goldman Sachs had similar exposure to the futures market with up to 4,500 gilt contracts. The futures position is said to have been closed down on Friday. Mr Duthie is registered with the Securities and Futures Authority.

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Pubmaster to be sold by Brent Walker for £171m

By Paul DURMAN

BRENT WALKER, struggling under more than £1 billion of debts, is paying more than £2 million in incentive payments to senior staff at Pubmaster, the pubs business it is selling for £171.3

The payments were defended by Brent Walker and by John Brackenbury, who resigned as Pubmaster's chairman in May to work on the deal that was announced said the payments, shared among about 60 staff. stemmed from a three-year incentive scheme that encouraged management to maxi-Pubmaster business. Without the scheme. "the banks would not have received the value that they're getting today".

Mr Brackenbury said that. in improving profits from E10.1 million in 1993 to E17.1 million last year. Pubmaster's management had created £70 million for the banks.

The finance for buying Pubmaster was put together by NatWest Ventures. NatWest Ventures and Prudential Venture Managers are each putting up £40 million of equity, while HSBC Investment Bank and the Bank of Scotland are each providing

E55 million of debt. Mr Brackenbury will resume his role as chairman and John Sands will continue as chief executive.

Brent Walker's directors were unable to recommend the deal to shareholders, who still have to approve it. Brent Walker said it was unable to determine what the company's bank creditors might do if the sale did not proceed.

Pubmaster has annual sales of about £92 million and runs 1.682 pubs, all but 112 of which are tenanted. The company's profits are expected to respond well to the new investment. Because of this opportunity, NatWest Ventures said it is in no hurry to realise its investment through an early sale or flotation.

The Pubmaster sale leaves Hill. the betting chain.

Tempus, page 28 | value per share increased to



John Brackenbury, left, with Alastair Gibbons, director of NatWest Ventures, which put together the finance for the Pubmaster deal, and John Sands

High street sales growing at fastest rate for 8 years, says ČBI

CLEAR evidence of the sharp confidence comes today in figures showing a marked pickup in high street sales. The data show retail sales increasing at their fastest rate since the boom of the late 1980s.

seeing growth in sales for the first time this decade. The figures from the Confederation of British Industry are the last CBI indicators on

THE London Insurance Mar-

ket Investment Trust (Limit),

the vehicle that specialises in the Lloyd's of London market.

yesterday unveiled half-year

profits of £7.6 million in the six

months to September 30. com-

pared with £6 million in the

same period last year (Robert

2.16p, compared with 1.70p

previously, and the net asset

Miller writes).

Retailers in all sectors are

In its latest distributive trades survey, covering 15,000 outlets in retailing, wholesaling and the motor trades, the CBI says that annual retail

the returning strength of the

sales volumes picked up in

October after slower growth

118.0p from 105.7p. An interim

dividend of 1.75p, compared with 1.1p, will be paid on

During the period, Limit

announced plans to acquire

majority interest in two

Lloyd's managing agencies.

Bankside, which manages

eight syndicates with total

Jason Green, with three syndi-

cates and total capacity of £345

the previous month. At a net figure of 55 per cent, the balance of retailers reporting higher annual sales vol-- those recording inretail trade before the Budget. creased sales set against those and are likely to be seen by the registering sales in decline was both greater than had Chancellor as a clear sign of

been expected and the largest since August 1988.

A net balance of 31 per cent also said that business was above average for the time of year - more so than at any time since November 1988. At a net figure of 43 per cent of outlets, orders placed with suppliers are rising at their sharpest since January 1988.

While ministers and business leaders will be comforted such firm evidence of strong retail sales growth and the return of consumer confi-

Lloyd's agencies help | Last stage of Ockham rejig

OCKHAM HOLDINGS, for-

merly known as Sturge, the troubled Lloyd's of London

managing agents, yesterday announced the final stages of a

two-year reconstruction plan

aimed at turning round the

Lord Poole, chief executive,

said that two of the Lloyd's

Ockham Worldwide umbrella

had been sold for £19.5 million

to ACE, a Bermudan-based

are likely to be concerned at the comparisons with the boom period of the late 1980s. when the rate of growth proved unsustainable and led

to recession in the early 1990s. In spite of the strength of high street sales, business leaders do not yet see any need for further marked policy changes to dampen any inflationary pressures.

Retailers expect growth in sales volumes to continue this month, though at a slightly weaker rate. The CBI's threemonth underlying trend fig-

By ROBERT MILLER

company. The disposal marks

the end of Ockham's associ-

ation with the Lloyd's aviation

and non-marine insurance

business. In another move,

Wise Speke, the UK retail

stockbroking firm, is to seek a

will retain a stake of more

result of yesterday's an-nouncement the group's net

assets had jumped to £27

Swedish

buy boosts

Bodycote

BY FRASER NELSON

SHARES in Bodycote Interna-

tional yesterday rose 31 p to a

high of 74212p as the acquisi-

tive metal technology and gen-eral industrial group said it was buying Brukens Thermo-treat a Swedish heat treatment

company, for £57.5 million.

The acquisition. Bodycote's

largest yet, is being financed

via a £116 million rights issue of

one new share for every three held, at 600p. It is Bodycote's

Brukens will complement

Bodycote's existing subsidiar-

ies in The Netherlands and

Germany and take the com-

pany into Austria and Bel-

In 1995, Brukens made operating profits of £9.3 million on sales of £41 million.

Borrowings have left Brukens with negative assets,

but Bodycote said that the

acquisition would still en-hance earnings, even before

cote's broker, has invited investors to bid for half the

issue. This is the third time in

recent weeks that a merchant

bank has voluntarily broken

from the City cartel of fixed

underwriting fees, which had

earlier come under fire from

the Office of Fair Trading.

expected cost savings. Kleinwort Benson, Body-

gium for the first time.

first rights issue in 12 years.

than 50 per cent.

stock market listing. Ockham

ure on retail sales is also showing an increase, at a net 51 per cent of outlets, though this is marginally below the expected level over the period. For the first time since January 1990, all retailing sectors saw some growth in sales, compared with a year ago.

However, CBI analysts stress that the pattern of rowth remains uneven. Wholesalers' volumes grew a little less quickly last month than was expected, while motor traders reported a small

million from £236,000 at the

end of last year. Further,

Ockham is to receive the commissions due from its

Lloyd's agents for the next two

years, providing an addition-

On the motor insurance side,

Ockham has linked with Ques-

vestment fund that will inject a

further £21 million into the busi-

ness, valuing it at £50 million.

Yates Bros

toasts 34%

profits rise

BY KEITH RODGERS

YATES Brothers Wine

Lodges, the drinks group, yesterday celebrated a 34 per

cent increase in pre-tax profits to E4.3 million for the half-

The company, which failed

in an attempt to buy the Tom

Cobleigh pub group in Sep-tember, has also agreed terms

to acquire the outstanding 25

per cent interest in Watling

Street Inns (WSI) from Ste-

phen Kalton, who remains

managing director.

Yates plans to open five

WSI free houses every year for the next five. It will have

68 Wine Lodges open by the

end of the year, with at least 18

more planned for the next financial year. A £25 million

seven-year unsecured bank

facility will fund the expan-

Under the WSI deal, Mr

Kalton receives 27,435 ordi-

nary shares (0.07 per cent of the issued capital) and de-ferred payments of up to £1.75

million dependent on the number of new openings and

Turnover grew 18 per cent, to £34.4 million, while earn-

ings rose from 5.8p to 8.1p a

share. The dividend of 1.44p per share, up from 1.2p, will

be paid on February II.

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continues to diversify.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Gas restores right to cut off customers

BRITISH GAS has restored its right to cut off customers although complaints are still being made across the country about bill problems. Several weeks ago the company yielded to pressure to suspend disconnections after a wave of protests over problems with its new national billing system. The move came after it was revealed that thousands of red reminders, which warn of disconnection, were sent to customers who had paid bills or to those who had not received bills.

British Gas said it had now reintroduced disconnection after progress on its £150 million national billing computer. But the Gas Consumers' Council says it has seen no improvement and that complaints over mistaken bills are still pouring into its offices. Nationwide, the three worst affected areas are: the East Midlands, where the council says problems remain high across the whole range of billing activities; the Eastern region, where British Gas continues to send red reminders to consumers who claim not to have received a bill, where disconnection notices have been issued in error and where estimated bills have been sent to households which have had meters read; and London, where there are substantial complaints about estimated bills.

GWR approached

GREAT WESTERN RESOURCES, the oil and gas company with interests in North America, said it had received an "unsolicited proposal" from an unnamed US company that may lead to an offer being made for its shares. The conditional proposals are for the acquisition of all of GWR's outstanding shares, which trade on the Alternative investment Market, in a negotiated transaction at a nominal price of 18p a share, in cash and shares. GWR's board will meet promptly" to consider the offer. The shares rose 4p to 172 p.

US productivity eases

PRODUCTIVITY gains by American businesses slowed in the third quarter, the US Government said yesterday. Productivity beyond the agricultural sector rose at a seasonally adjusted 0.2 per cent annual rate in the three months to September 30, after rising 0.5 per cent in the second quarter. However, the manufacturing sector, accounting for about 18 per cent of the nation's business sector jobs, roared ahead, with productivity jumping 6.3 per cent, the biggest gain in two-and-a-half years.

Brands Hatch flyer

BRANDS HATCH LEISURE, the motor racing circuit owner, celebrated a strong stock market debut yesterday when its shares raced to a premium of 20 p on their placing price of 157p, capitalising the business at nearly E39 million. Nicola Foulston, 29, its chief executive, is retaining a 0.14 per cent stake in the company, founded by her late father, which is now worth £54,200. She will also be paid more than £150,000 per year. A total of 1.25 million of the shares, placed by Beeson Gregory, changed hands yesterday.

SIB consultation

THE Securities and Investments Board has published a consultative paper on the regulation of borrowing, lending and repo transactions in UK-equities. The paper is designed to seek the views of the market before the SIB gives its final advice to the Treasury on the regulatory implications of the proposed fiscal liberalisation of these transactions, anby Kenneth Clark Exchequer, on July 24. The watchdog's consultation period will extend to November 29.

ScotRail faces strikes

THE Rail Maritime and Transport union at ScotRail has called a five-day strike from November 26 in a long-running dispute over productivity pay. The union has already staged five strikes and yesterday announced two further stoppages on November 14 and 18. Bob Crow, RMT assistant general secretary, said the union's executive had reviewed the dispute, the only one left after a series of settlements with train operators on claims for pay rises or a cut in hours in recognition of past productivity achievements.

EU action over VAT

THE European Commission has taken Italy and France to the European Court of Justice for failing to respect EU-wide value added tax rules and warned Greece it faced the same fate ander take thies and warred creese it faced the same fate for fixing the price of tobacco. Italy was blamed for preventing self-employed people from deducting VAT paid when buying a house if the acquisition was made jointly with a non-taxpayer. France was found to have infringed another ruleon the refund of VAT when a company subcontracts part of its most to another form in a second ETI of the of its work to another firm in a separate EU state.

Invesco's Canada deal

INVESCO, the UK fund management company, said that invesco Holdings Canada, its Canadian subsidiary, is to buy Admax International Management for C\$8 million (£3.65 million). Admax is a mutual fund management company with 14 publicly-offered mutual funds with about C\$350 million in assets under management. Invesco has been fund manager of the Admax Global Health Sciences Fund for five years. Earlier this week, Invesco announced the £1 billion purchase of AIM Management Group, the US mutual company.

Leeds Group jobs go

LEEDS GROUP, the textiles manufacturer, said almost 100 jobs will be lost as a result of the company's decision to reduce its exposure to the "volatile" women's fashion sector, where imports have consistently been taking a larger share. Cuts in the fabric dyeing division will result in 65 redundancies at Scott & Rhodes, a subsidiary, while 34 staff will lose their jobs at Leonard Ingham, which is to close. The total cost, including redundancy and asset writedown, will be about £2.5 million.

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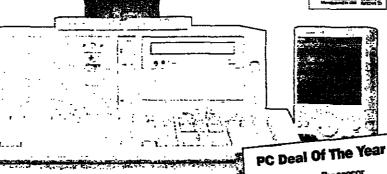


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CE lifts stake in Northern

By Christine Buckley, industrial correspondent

CE ELECTRIC, the American group stalking Northern Electric, yesterday lifted its stake in the regional electricity company amid growing concern about the predator's financial strength

As CE Electric bought shares that pushed its holding to more than 26 per cent, the head of the electricity consumers' groups added her voice to City concerns over the credit rating of the majority partner in the alliance.

Yvonne Constance, chairman of the chairmen's group of the electricity consumers' committees, said there was "real reason" for the regulator to look at

was compelled to buy to show cern over takeovers. But Ms faith in its offer. Constance said: "The credit ☐ East Midlands Electricity rating must be relevant." formally rebuffed the takeover

CalEnergy, the 70 per cent owner of CE Electric, is junkapproach from Dominion Resources of the US, advising rated in the US, meaning that shareholders that the indicatit is not considered worthy of ed value of £1,2 billion was too investment. The bid for Northlow. Dominion could launch a ern is the first time a junkfull bid next week. Sir Nigel rated company has formed the major part of a bid for a UK . utility. Northern itself is heavi-Rudd, East Midlands chairman. said: "We wait to see if Dominion is prepared to make an offer and if so at what ly indebted, causing alarm among consumer groups.
CE Electric said yesterday level. At this level, our clear that its buying of 13.3 per cent

of Northern's shares was evidence of its confidence in regulatory approval. However the share price had Austra Sch
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advice to shareholders would be to reject any such offer."

Dominion has said it had been looking at an offer which would not value East Midlands

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☐ Holiday firms fall out over OFT ☐ Kwik Save tries to engineer a recovery ☐ Shedding light on Limelight

☐ IF you think the brochures you pick up from travel agents are economical with the truth, you should hear what a couple of the holiday companies were say-ing about the Office of Fair Trading's decision yesterday. Perhaps we should put it down to shock, because no one had expected the matter to go to the Monopolies and Mergers Com-

It is hard to reconcile the versions of events given by Airtours and by Thomson Holidays, while the OFT is maintaining a suitable silence over the confidential negotiations that led to its decision. The vertical integration gained by putting together those businesses providing package holidays and the high street shops that sell them has long been attacked by small operators, who claim their prod-uct is either denied shelf space at such shops or priced less attractively than their own product because the shops demand too high a margin to sell it. Their complaints are understandable; the integration would never have taken place if it did not offer

some competitive advantage. We had all assumed that the OFT would cobble together a set of undertakings from Thomson and Airtours, the market leaders with 32 and 20 per cent between

Bags packed for the MMC

them, a sort of code of practice for the holiday industry, and then impose it on the other two similarly integrated businesses. In this way a reference to the MMC could be avoided, along with much uncertainty all round.

The 12 per cent fall in Airtours' share price looks an overreaction, but the year-long inquiry could be nasty for the industry, as the MMC could even require the shops to be sold. The OFT has looked at the industry. has looked at this issue twice before, when Airtours bought Rickfords in 1992 and Hogg Robinson a year later, and cleared both deals. The reference now is a tacit acceptance that this was the wrong decision.

the required undertakings but Thomson was not — probably because they appear to have been a completely different set for each company. Airtours was asked to make sure customers knew of the common ownership between the product they were buying and the shop they bought it in - they are already told quite explicitly — and to promise not to

Airtours was happy to accept

use its clout to fix prices. Thomson's interpretation of these undertakings was the virtual creation of a holiday industry regulator, a veritable Ofhol, fixing prices and setting almost all the terms under which the

companies are allowed to con-tract with their suppliers. Yet the OFT says the undertakings put to each were identical. The answer is in the interpreta-tion; Thomson was unwilling to accept any interference, and so took the bleakest possible view. It is now up to the MMC to sort it

Old problems for **New Generation**

□ NEW GENERATION has a naff ring to it, sounding like a 1970s light entertainment dance troupe, so it is an entirely suitable name for the relaunch of Britain's naffest food retailer, Kwik Save Group. This is probably the company's last chance to extricate itself from the corner into which it has been forced.



Kwik Save is wedged between the foreign discount chains such as Aldi and Netto, providing the lowest prices around and a zerofrills service even if their market share is still small, and the supermarkets intruding onto its patch with their own attractive if selective discounting. Profits last year, before one-offs, fell 28 per cent, and margins were down 0.1

The usual management consultants were hired, and the options identified thus: take on the foreign discounters; become a chain of convenience stores, although this would have meant the closure of many more outlets than the 10 per cent identified

yesterday; take on the super-markets, by fielding a range of own-label products, while keep-ing prices for known brands low.

The decision has been the latter course, arguably the most difficult. Kwik Save has asked its shoppers what they want, and they have come up with an expensive wish list. A range of three brands — a well known one, an own label in the middle and a very cheap substitute. Plus a wider range of fresh produce, and convenience foods for the less budget-conscious. All this is already available at big superstores, and Kwik Save's difficulty will be to distinguish what it is offering from what these rivals offer. The only way it can be done is on price, which means slimmer margins.
The City was dubious about

Kwik Save's chances of success, even if a maintained dividend helped the share price to rise. The required improvements to stores will have to be funded from profits along the way. Some problems may be beyond the help of even the cleverest management consultant. The shares have halved over the past year, but this seems little reason

To buy or not to buy

□ NEXT week's £175 million flotation of Limelight Group is like Hamlet without the Prince. Stephen Boler, the Cheshire Svengali who built up the busi-ness, sold it to ADT and bought it back again, is taking a back seat in the company and cashing in two thirds of his chips.

Mr Boler wants to concentrate on other business interests, such as game parks in the Kalahari desert and Manchester City football club. Had he not decided to go quietly, merchant bankers N M Rothschild might well have had to push him.

Having made his first fortune selling an exhaust company to Kwik Fit. Mr Boler moved into furniture with a business called Kitchen Queen, bought from the ailing Moben Group in 1980.

Within a few months Kitchen Queen and its sister company, Wharf Mill, were in the hands of the receivers. As this was a long time ago, and Mr Boler is only a non-executive director of Limelight, there is no mention of these failures in the prospectus.

No mention is made either of the troubles of the Limelight business Moben, only saved from receivership in 1985 by Kean & Scott, a business which also bought Mr Boler's Kitchens Direct for £22 million. Kean & Scott became part of Michael Ashcroft's ADT, until Mr Ashcroft became bored of it and sold it back to Mr Boler for a

song in 1989. Meanwhile Mr Boler was having fun with another company, Advanced Technology In-dustries, which he and his partners sold to the Poundstretcher group, Brown & Jackson, in a deal that was terminated after B&J had paid £8.8 million. Mr Boler bought the business back for £500,000.

Whether Mr Boler's absence from centre stage will be a plus or a minus for Limelight is hard to assess. What is clear is that Mr Boler has become exceedingly wealthy while those who enter into deals with him tend to lose out. As he is selling shares, do you want to be buying them?

All-round growth gives **Burton 54% increase**

BURTON GROUP profits rose 54 per cent last year, with its divisions, from Debenhams to Top Shop, delivering increased earnings.

The company yesterday reported that in the year to August 31 it made a pre-tax-profit of £151.6 million (£98.6 million). Sales from ongoing business were up 7 per cent to £2 billion. In the first nine weeks of the current year, trading has been encouraging, with sales up 8 per cent.

Burton Menswear returned . to profit for the first time in three years, bringing in £3.3 million compared with a loss of £4.2 million a year ago. of Burton into home shopping

According to John Hoerner, chief executive: "It hasn't moved as fast as we would have liked. It is in a very tough competitive situation. Burton Menswear had become a very tatty business. I thought it was pretty bad and a lot of custom-

The group is set to increase total space at Debenhams by 20 per cent over the next four vears, it has opened two new stores, in Lincoln and Dublin, in the past week and has six new openings planned, with contracts on nine further sites being finalised.

Mr Hoerner said the launch

in the next two years should involve all its brands. The group has bought Innovations and Racing Green, the home shopping specialists, in the past year and has set up a division to prepare for the launch of its own brands. He said he expected the

home shopping business to support itself (financially) as we go in. I would be surprised if the decision to do this has any material effect on profits for the next three years. Then it will be positive. The company was moving into home shopping to ensure longerterm growth, he said. "We are approaching this

from the standpoint of what our customers' lives are going to be like four or five years from now," he said. "It is about staying with the custom-er." While Burton's home shopping will start with cata-logues, it is likely to become more electronically based in the long run, he said.

The dividend for the full year has been raised 27 per cent to 2.8p per share on the back of a 50 per cent boost in earnings per share to 7.80. The final dividend, of 1.65p, up 38 per cent, will be paid on February 21.

Ann Street cheered by 27% growth

ANN Street Brewery reported a 27 per cent increase in half-year profits, to £4.3 million, despite facing a mixed trading environment in its Channel Islands and French drinks operations (Alasdair Murray writes).

Turnover rose 17 per cent, to £46 million. The company added that trading in the UK and Channel Islands was still mixed in the second half, while sales in France were being hurt by a fall in demand for soft drinks, in line with the rest of the French soft drinks industry.

The interim dividend was increased 20 per cent, to 6p, payable on December 16. The shares closed down 3p

Boots confident of a recovery for Do It All

By Sarah Cunningham

BOOTS expects Do It All, its loss-making DIY business, to have positive cashflow next year and to go into profit once it has disposed of all its poorly performing stores, Lord Blyth, chief executive, said yesterday.

Boots bought out WH Smith, its joint venture partner, in June and has since disposed of 11 Do It All stores. More disposals are being Lord Blyth said he was "pret-

ty confident we can make this business work". He added: Whether in the very long run Do It All is a business where we can continue to add value, we'll see." But he said that there were no current plans to dispose of the business.

The Boots group made a

profit of £239.2 million in the half year ended September 30, a rise of 9.4 per cent. Do It All cut its loss to £3.7 million compared with £9.6 million a

Like-for-like sales at Do It All increased 6 per cent on a like-for-like basis. At Boots the Chemist they were up 4.6 per cent; at Halfords, up 3.2 per cent; at Boots Opticians, up 6.1 per cent; and at AG Stanley,

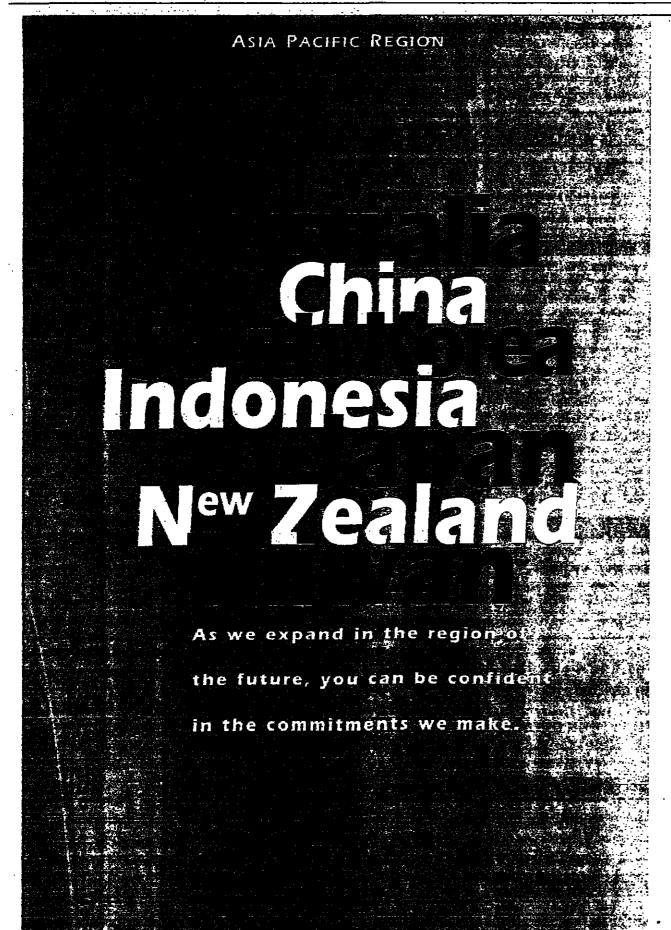
up 9 per cent. Lord Blyth said: "We are encouraged by the general improvement in the retail trade ... We are confident of good season sales despite an increasingly competitive

He said the recent Office of Fair Trading decision - to ask

the courts to reconsider whether resale price maintenance on over-the-counter medicines should continue — was disappointing. He said he "believes that RPM should remain in force because consumer interests are best served by retaining the service to local communities currently provided by pharmacists". But he insisted that, whatever is finally decided, "Boots the Chemist is well placed. Past experience suggests that the business would emerge with increased market share".

Earnings per share were up 13.1 per cent to 17.3p and the interim dividend has been lifted 8.8 per cent to 0.2p.

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Shares cling to 3,900 level after difficult session

THE London stock market was clinging desperately to the 3,900 level last night after another difficult session that saw both equities and government securities experience fur-

ther sharp falls. Early attempts by investors to join in the overnight cele-brations on Wall Street that greeted President Clinton's success at the polls proved short-lived. Instead, investors again focused on Wednesday's call by the Bank of England for another rise in interest rates, just a week after the first

rise for two years. The FT-SE 100 index reversed an opening rise of 17 points and continued to lose ground throughout the session. It closed just above its low for the day with a fall of 35.3 points at 3,900.4. A total of 803 million shares changed

East Midlands Electricity fel! 15p to 592 h pafter claiming it would reject any offer made by Dominion Resources, the US group, at 608p. Dominion was forced to disclose an interest in bidding after East Midland's share price moved sharply higher in late trading

Northern Electric fell 7p to 623p after CE Electric topped up its holding in the company with the purchase of an extra-6.5 million shares at 630p. It lifts the American power generator's stake to 19.93 per cent. Northern has rejected the terms of a bid valuing it at

£667 million. Compass Group fell 20p to 598p as a large line of stock went through the market. SBC Warburg placed a line of 12 million shares at 593p with

various institutional clients. Kwik Save, the food retailer. rebounded 172p to 3212p in response to the proposed closure of 107 stores and the loss of 1,000 jobs. The restructuring is expected to cost in the region of £300 million. The move coincided with a 30 per cent drop in profits. Some brokers viewed the closures as a postive step, but are convinced that the group's prob-

lems remain deep seated. Burton firmed just 12p to 1452p after coming in with full-year profits in line with brokers' forecasts. At the pretax level they were up from E98.6 million to £151.6 million. with brokers looking for £i90 million for the current year.

Elsewhere in the stores sector, Boots dropped 10p to 611p after reporting a useful in-

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first six months. But the group's performance did not Warburg, the broker, has

reduced its recommendation from a "buy" to a "hold". News of an unsolicited bid approach lifted Great Western Resources 4p to 174p. The group has received an approach worth 18p a share

of chief executive after the death of her father. At this

Jarvis, which last year bought the Northern Infrastructure Maintenance Division of British Rail, raced up 62p at 126p with both ABN Amro Hoare Govett and Peel Hunt reckoned to be bidding for stock. Brokers say a new deal may be close. But there is also talk of a bid at around 180p a share.

from an American company. Shares of Costain, the debt laden construction group, were suspended at 46p. The company said that it had called for the halt to trading pending an announcement regarding its asset disposal process and subsequent financial arrangements. The market has been awaiting news about the sale of its US coal interests.

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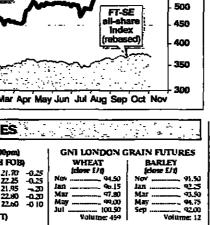
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the shares 3p cheaper at 99p.

The group blamed the setback

on the decline in restricted

shipping. The market is now recovering, but is likely to lead

to a decline pre-tax profits from £4.62 million to not less

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hang over the bond market

like a cloud, with losses

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dampened by speculation that

one US securities house had

suffered major losses in the

market in the past lew weeks.

In the futures pit, the De-

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while at the short end. Trea-

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Closing Prices Page 31

Brand goes for a Burton

no new pharmacy licences

growth must come from abroad or from OTC medi-

pilot Boots stores in Japan,

Thailand and The Nether-

ment in Boots Healthcare

Were BHI to stop invest-

ONCE the butt of a million jokes, Burton Group has enjoyed a remarkably quick and untroubled renaissance. The proof came yesterday when it reported all its divisions in first-half profit, for the first time that its management can recall.

Given the myriad brands and the wide market served by the retailing group -Burton Menswear, Top Shop/Top Man, Principles, Dorothy Perkins, Evans and Debenhams - that is no mean feat. Some of the performances were outstanding: Top Shop/Top Man more than doubled its retail profit: Dorothy Perkins trebled its profits and Debenhams has now exceeded £100 million.

Yet Burton Menswear remains the runt of the litter. Jokes about men in Burton suits still dog the brand which has to compete head to head with Marks & Spencer menswear.

Under those circumstances, even a £3.3 million profit is something of an achievement. The problem is how to gain some street-cred for Burton menswear in a tough market when its sales are currently falling. The management is not just wringing its hands; a bizarre advertising campaign has been launched featuring a mascara-stained beauty and a neck-tie, scissored in elegant revenge. An obvious solution would be to change the

Burton name; curiously this has been considered but rejected on the grounds that brands take a long time to build. However, Burton carnot stand still while sales decline and there is no merit in hanging on to ideas that failed under previous management. If the new Burton man is really a loveable rogue then the Burton management should have the guts to dump the brand as well.

Boots

are being issued — so future THE Governor of the Bank of England heaped gloom on the retail sector with his dire cine. Hence, the launch of warnings that too much high living was bad for us. Interest rates would have to go up lands and the heavy investor, if the Government shirked its duty in that department, a tax rise would be needed in the Budget to keep inflation under control.

That is the sort of message retailers do not need and some reasonably good figures from Boots were not enough to keep its share

price from falling. There are other concerns: sales growth is respectable at Boots the Chemists but costs are likely to climb from overseas expansion and new product investment Boots could well argue that the niggling is unfair. The comhome market is saturated -

East Midlands

EAST MIDLANDS Elec tricity, endless subject of bid rumour, finally has the semblance of an offer from Dominion Resources of

No surprise that Dominion should appear on the horizon. Something of their game was given away a few months ago when it emerged that the Virginian utility regulator had flinched about ning the day without pay, such a bid and refused an a lot more. essential certificate. "Such concerns apparently allayed. Dominion is back, armed with the necessary papers and a valuation of East Midlands unlikely to exceed

US companies have an undeserved reputation for splurging when it comes to UK utilities. Recently we had the approach for Northern by CE Electric, 70 per cent owned by the junk-rated CalEnergy, which has concerns about whether the company will

convince the regulator it is financially secure enough to

Then Dominion, whose offer is not entirely generous. East Midlands shareholders have warmed to Norman Askew's management, having benefited from more than £700 million in dividends and special payments since privatisation. With such high regard from investors, it is. hard to see Dominion winning the day without paying

and begins pruning its inestment, some licences may fall out of the portfolio and Boots could scoop them up.

the half year on marketing

and development — profits would surge but Boots would be sacrificing growth

Boots also has an opportu

nity in the bids for Lloyds

Chemists. If UniChem wins

for short term profit.

ing — it spent £35 million in NO WONDER DRUG

be awarded a licence.

Brent Walker

TENANTED pubs are the Aunt Sallies of the sector and Brent Walker has done better portfolio for £171.3 million. But for a company that re-tains a £1.1 billion deficit on its shareholders' funds, an extra £10 million is pocket

The price offered by the venture capitalists represents around ten times. Pubmaster's earnings this year.

Within the debt-strapped Brent Walket, Pubmaster has been starved of cash and its portfolio of tenanted pubs includes some dreadful old boozers. Yet it is still hard to see why its market rating should be only a third of that enjoyed by JO Wetherspoon. the doyen of the managed

pub companies. Sooner or later, the gap between the ratings of tenanted and managed pub companies must narrow. When it does, the Pubmaster managers who invest in this buyout stand to make a killing. Nat-West Ventures seems to be in no hurry to cash in its investment, and the pubs-should respond well to a fresh lick of

Such excitement obviously remains beyond imagination for Brent Walker's shareholders. The company, now down to the William Hill betting chain, must continue its strange half-life until the inevitable refinancing.

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A joke too far

STAFF at Schroders listened in horror on Wednesday as their boss took to the floor at the AUTIF annual dinner. Clive "Bawdy" Boothman, Schroders managing di-rector and AUTIF chairman, almost put guests at Grosvenor House off their food, in his lame attempt to raise a laugh.

DIARY

Where has Boothman been hiding since the days when Bernard Manning was referred to as a comedian? Diners were surprised to hear him say: They've invented a new toy called the Gazza Walkman. One battery, and it still plays."

Middleton sells

PETER MIDDLETON waved goodbye to Chelsea Football Club and York-shire in the same week. The chief executive officer at Salomon Brothers International has sold the house that he bought with his first wife on the edge of the North Yorkshire Moors National Park. Neighbours in the village of Lastingham commented on the neglected Honda 250 in the drive, and the lonely house that they nicknamed the Marie Celeste. The School House was put on the market a few months ago at about £160,000.

Up and up

DAME Pauline Neville-Jones has done it again this is her second promo-tion since she followed in the footsteps of Douglas Hurd and joined NatWest Markets in February. to global head of business strategy only six months later, Dame Pauline was yesterday announced chairman of NM France. As a former political director and Deputy Under-Secretary of State with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, and a stint as senior adviser to Carl Bildt, the special negotiator in former Yugoslavia. she is continuing to build on her colourful career.



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"Nothing but work, work, work"

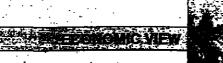
Kilsby for BZW

THE Kilsby couple have much to celebrate after the announcement yesterday that Mrs has been appointed managing director of BZW's corporate finance division. Fresh from the Bankers Trust, Americanhorn Susan has built up a considerable reputation as adviser to companies in the consumer products sector. Her husband, Richard, the high-tech detective at the Stock Exchange put her name in the gossip columns when he bid £300 at the Big Bang party for a collection of commemorative plates that he then gave to her as a lastminute birthday present.

Out with a bang

PETER MINCHIN'S retirement party after 20 years in City regulation went with a bang. After a weighty Enforcement Committee meeting on Tuesday, the former chairman and scourge of City brokers was treated to a farewell lunch. As it was Guy Fawkes Day, the SFA chef decorated the cake with sparklers. Unfortunately, the fire alarm went off and the building had to he evacuated.

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ROBIN MARRIS

Europe's welfare depends on Britain joining EMU

If the UK wanted to join monetary union, it

would be allowed to

year ago I wrote two articles in these columns discussing the problems of the "Anglo-Saxon" underclass. They resulted in a short book published yesterday, in which I have aimed to deepen the research and expand the scope of the discussion. In particular I have expanded the scope to include Western Europe.

Today I want to think about the underclass and the forthcoming election.

My basic thesis is that over the past quarter century a significant minority of the general population, in which whites are as strongly represented as ethnics, has missed out on education, and now in consequence does very badly economically. In the US, the main result is low wages; in the UK, both low wages and "nonemployment". Both in the US and the UK, at least a third of working age males who have only a basic education (no GCSEs in the UK, no highschool diploma in the US) are non-employed — either officially unemployed or statistically lost. They survive somehow doing this and that, including drug-dealing and crime. And in both countries, over the whole length of the quarter century, real hourly earnings at the bottom end of the wage distribution have stagnated or actu-

ally declined. in my book I have elaborated the idea that what we are seeing is a perversion of mericy. In opening up the education system we create a new elite of brains, leaving the less able out on a limb. Why has the economic system in recent years moved yet further against people who happen to be born into below-average ability aspirations or "merit"? The answers suggested by the research of British and US scholars are manifold. Two of the most widely discussed are technology and trade. New technology has increased the productivity of the "overclass" and disadvantaged the underclass. Increased exports of industrial goods from the Third

creased the global supply of less-skilled workers, reducing their market in the First World. To these widely researched phenomena I add another that consider to be overriding inadequate domestic long-term economic growth. By this I mean the long-term growth of macro capacity to produce goods and employ labour has not kept up with the growth of

World have effectively in-

the effective labour supply.

Much discussion fails to understand this process. There is a confusion between total growth and productivity growth. Society will benefit from productivity gains if total output and demand for labour also grow. Otherwise, as the Luddites saw, productivity growth, by releasing labour, merely increases the labour surplus. In addition, in the past half century, the labour supply has been massively enhanced by women. In the US the proportion of married women with children under six who

he transatlantic merger of British Telecom and MCI has triggered

suites of rival companies such as AT&T

and Deutsche Telekom. But few of the

smaller international players are groping

for the indigestion tablets. The reason:

they are confident that plummeting do-

mestic and overseas call charges, the most

significant global telecoms trend, will

Prices are falling as the monopolies of

state-owned phone companies are broken.

Telecoms regulators are following the ex-

amples set by Oftel in Britain and the Fed-

eral Communications Commission in the

US. in a fundamental cultural shift, they

have become more concerned with pro-

tecting the consumer by encouraging

competition than protecting the operator.

The old price-fixing agreements between

international operators are starting to

crumble. These agreements allow opera-

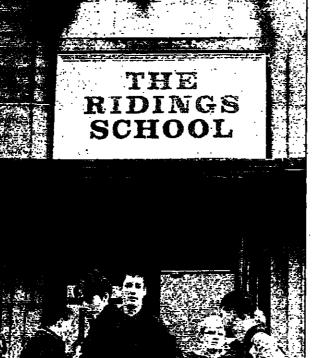
tors to charge pretty much what they want for overseas tails and use the vast profits

to subsidise their domestic operations.

Prices are falling for another reason.

hurt the big companies more than them.

anxiety attacks in the executive



The Ridings School will contribute to the underclass

UK general election would be

dominated by EMU on the one

hand, and the economy on the

other. After the Labour confer-

ence, however, these items

were seemingly replaced by

education. In the past two

weeks a whole new raft of

issues has dramatically sur-

faced - morals and morality,

crime and punishment and

discipline, rather than educa-

tion as such, in schools. But at

the heart of all these problems

Watching TV shots outside The

Ridings School, see the faces of

the underclass's next recruits.

And among moderate Euro-

philes there are real worries that EMU, as currently de-

signed, will increase, rather

markets, have made clear that

they believe education, not

economic growth, lies at the

ics. One is bound to some

extent to sympathise. If they

say they will try to improve the

real economy, the banking

fraternity is liable to label them

as crazy inflationists who will

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Brown, partly I think

from conviction, and

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than reduce, such problems.

that of the underclass.

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Consequently, in no First

World country except Japan

has the long-term demand for

labour kept pace with the heavy increase in effective sup-

ply. What I have found in my

book, however, is a major

difference between the social

consequences in Anglo-Saxonia

and those in Western Europe.

In Europe the effects, rather

than concentrated on an under-

class, are spread through the

male population. The general

increase in male non employ-

ment has on average been

markedly sharper in France, Germany and Italy than in

Britain and the US. What is the

There are in fact two answers. The first is that in

continential countries, most es-

pecially in Germany, the edu-

cation system does a better job

of steering people who are less academically gifted into train-

ing for productive and reward-

non-employment, a larger pro-

portion of which (because of

easier benefit rules) appears as

official unemployment. Which

model, the "European" or the

Hold the line for cheaper rates

Holland Taylor, chief executive of USA

Global Link, the world's largest seller of

discount international telecoms services.

said: "These prices bear no resemblance

to economic reality." Indeed, it is hard to

explain to any consumer why a coast-to-

coast call in the US may cost as little as 10

cents a minute while one between, say,

Paris and New York, a similar distance,

The marriage of BT and MCI, America's second largest long-distance operator, has the likes of AT&T rattled

because it will undoubtedly lead to

lower overseas call charges. BT and

MCI have created a closed transatlantic

loop, meaning they do not have to pay

other operators to complete calls at the

other end. As a result, they can drop

their prices in the hopes of snatching

large phone companies are severely limit-

ed in their ability to reduce prices because

they are saddled with enormous costs.

Deutsche Telekom, for example, has

220,000 workers, more than half of them

But the discount operators think the

traffic from their rivals.

can cost live or even ten times as much.

'Atlantic", do we prefer?

reason for this divergence?

per cent to 60 per cent.



Brown: fears markets



Cook: highlighted changes

Nothing of that kind happens when one pronounces the mantra, "education, education and education".

The question mark over EMU has graver consequences. A definite decision has got to be made. I happen to hold the view that, properly designed, EMU could be a noble project of huge benefit to all Europeans. But as we all know, it has not been properly designed. The fault lies not so much in the Maastricht criteria as such, but in the signals that they give. Most especially, the institutions who will manage the new currency are given no brief on the economic issues that really matter. What then should Britain do?

To my mind there is no doubt. The treaty cannot be changed. What can be changed, however, as Robin Cook has been interestingly pointing out, is the way that member governments collectively operate it. He has suggested that the political balance in European governments is currently first-phase membership will consist of every EU country except Greece and Italy. Italy. in fact, is not impossibly far off meeting the entry conditions and since her Prime Minister strongly desires to be an early member, my guess is that he A year ago it seemed that the cause a run on the pound. will, in the event succeed. As for

civil servants with all-but-guaranteed

employment rights. According to Hoare

Govett, Deutsche Telekom's revenue per

employee is about \$203,000. The equiva-

lent figure at BT is \$158,000. USA Global

Link, by comparison, expects to generate

The discounters are using their low-cost

base to undercut the big names, and they

are growing by leaps and bounds. The

"call-back" companies alone have gone

from a standing start in the late 1980s to

generating annual sales of close to \$1

billion today. Such companies offer cheap

BT. MCI and AT&T play down the

threat of low-cost competitors. But prices

are falling faster than their own costs,

with potentially disastrous results down

the road. The non-believers should re-

member IBM. It fell from grace when new

companies such Compaq, Apple and Microsoft introduced inexpensive alterna-

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about \$2 million per employee this year.

wanted to qualify, we could find a way. To put it another way, if the French can, we can. Surely there is only one implication for Britain: get in there and start organising. The potential political picture is dra-matic. If Britain happened to have a centre-left government committed to the priority of long-term economic growth, supported by France, Italy, Spain and others, it would have a built-in majority in the deci-

sion processes of the European Bank. Old roles would be reversed. The Germans, with possibly only a few allies, Blair: education mantra would be the minority.

What would/should Britain

do with such a golden scenario. In my book I set out five concrete points for a macroeconomic policy programme for a benign EMU. First, the attitude to fiscal deficits should be pragmatic not doctrinal. They should be restrained only to the extent that they cause actual inflation or long-term damage to economic welfare. Secondly, member countries, without "revising" the treaty, must make clear that they believe its ultimate objective is satisfactory long-term growth of output, capacity and demand for labour. Thirdly, member governments recognise that monetary

management is only part of EMU's function. The role of the European Central Bank needs to be enhanced by a comprehensive system of macroeconomic management and encompassing not only interest rates but also general fiscal policy. Fourthly, member governments and the European Bank would accept the need to bring European long-term real interest rates to a permanent level not much above 2 per cent. Fifthly, member governments would need to recognise frankly that before long they are oing to have to harmonise the European welfare state.

A programme of this kind would surely have more prost of acquiring influence if Britain, with a government other than one under the influence of Conservative Eurosceptics, were a first-round member. If the first round goes ahead with most EU countries in bar Britain, the prospects for long-term European economic welfare will be weakened. For Britain, the price will be augmented by the various real costs of staying out, and by the certainty that if we enter later our influence will be minimal. □ Professor Robin Marris's book, How to Save the Underclass, was published by Macmillan yesterday.

Discounters confined on the margins

Kwik Save's change of approach puts sector in spotlight, says Clare Stewart

Tame this retailer. "Outstanding value ... better products more welcoming stores displays to stimulate customer interest ... more staff for a customer-focused cuiture." After a cursory glance through the corporate statement outlining those goals. you might be forgiven for assuming that it was an extract from Sainsbury's or Asda's annual report.

Wrong. This is the market-ing speak of New Generation Kwik Save fresh from unveiling a 28 per cent drop in profits to E90.2 million, and a hefty cost-cutting programme that will see the closure of 107 of its 979 stores.

Kwik Save, the UK's largest discount retailer has, in common with others in the sector, traditionally been as-sociated with the pile-it-high, sell-it-cheap school of retailing philosophy. Central to this is its no-frills approach, providing customers with value-for-money goods displayed in functional stores where price rather than product presentation drives sales. Kwik Save's conversion to

a "marketingled approach is by its own admission a major cultural change. It also throws the spotlight

competitive on the place of the discount stores in the food retailing market as the leading players fall over themselves to be all things to all customers whether offering loyalty cards or, as in Sainsbury's

case, moving into hanking. In the early 1990s the threat of an invasion from a number of European discount retailers, such as German-owned Aldi and Danish-owned Netto, cast a long shadow. Between 1990 and 1994 total discount sales were estimated to have more than doubled to about F5.5 billion

Verdict, the retail research group, forecasts that discount stores will have about 14 per cent of the food retailing market by 1998. Despite this rapid growth, and the expansion plans laid out by the likes of Aldi and Netto. the threat from the discounters is viewed rather differently.

Their presence is no longer life threatening, given that the differential between them and UK groups has been closed by the supermarket majors," said one analyst.

The price-cutting initiatives undertaken by the likes of Tesco and Sainsbury have successfully stolen some of the clothes of the discount retailer, offering a limited range of basic grocery requirements at reduced prices. There has also been some

consolidation in the market as the fierce price competition claimed a number of casualties. Budgen's Penny Market fell by the wayside, Shoprite in Scotland was snapped up by Kwik Save while Argyll sold Lo-Cost.

In such a difficult market groups such as Kwik Save

have found themselves ever more squeezed. At the top end are the supermarket giants promising both value for money and a wide range of goods, together with customer loyalty incentives.

On the other side are the discounters who offer a much smaller number of products in smaller stores.

Aldi, for example, offers fewer than 600 product lines in its stores while Netto averages about 900 lines. This compares with about 20,000 product lines on offer in a Tesco superstore.

Groups like Aldi are not

but to gain firm hold of Conditions are the market for likely to remain everyday shopping needs. With fiercely loo stores at

> is. says Trevor Coates, Aldi's UK managing director, "a huge opportunity for our sort of business in the UK and we expect to open around 20-30 stores a year".

Groups like Aldi and Netto.

present, there

backed by a large European retailing group, remain bullish about expansion prospects. But some market analysts are more cautious about the scope for growth in a market that is near saturation and where the difficulties of finding space for new sites are already apparent. One certainty for food retailers is that conditions are likely to remain hercely competitive. As a result it is also expected that there will be further rationalisation among retailers, both discount stores and

Such changes are also likely accentuate divisions in the market, with consumers able to choose from a small number of discount chains carying out their chunk of the market while the large supermarkets continue to defend their traditional territory. The outlook for middle-ground retailers such as Kwik Save looks less promising.

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Mayflower follows **American** route

By KEITH RODGERS

MAYFLOWER Corporation, the automotive company that failed in a bid for Pullman, the American car suspension group, this summer, has returned to the acquisition trail in the United States.

The UK company announced yesterday that it has agreed to buy SCSM Holdings, an American supplier of metal pressings and body subassemblies. for \$165 million.

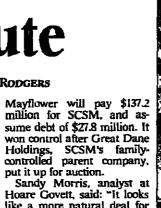
The company plans to place 32.8 million shares at 126p each to raise E38.2 million net for the cash offer, with the balance coming from additional bank borrowings of \$80 million. The placing and open offer has been underwritten by BZW. Existing shares rose 8p to 143p yesterday, a new

The deal will leave Mayflower geared at about 80 per cent on net assets of approxi-mately £100 million by the end of the year, although £73 million of goodwill has to be written off. The company surprised analysts when it indicated that it expected to be

ungeared by the end of 1998. David Donnelly, finance director, said the acquisition of SCSM was "a tight fit", combining Mayflower's design and engineering capabilities with SCSM's huge pressing capacity. After the deal subject to shareholder approval at an EGM on December 2 - the company will have four American plants and US revenues will account for almost half of group turnover. Mr Donnelly indicated that there may be some rationalisation

of administrative staff. The deal, which is expected to be earnings enhancing in the first year, is the third major takeover move Mayflower has made in little over a year. In August 1995, it acquired Walter Alexander, the largest UK manufacturer of bus bodies. Four months ago, its £172 million offer for Pullman was trumped by a E200 million

takeover bid from Tenneco. Under the terms of the deal.



like a more natural deal for them than Pullman." He added that if the company achieves its zero gearing target, "I think it would go down as being fairly phenomenal".

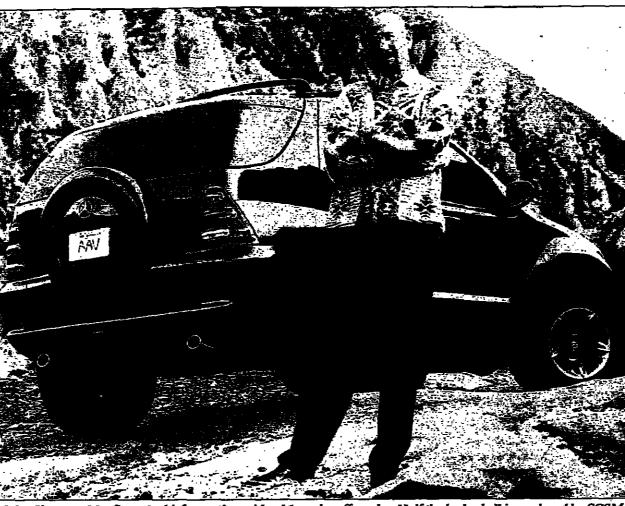
In a trading statement, Mayflower said that all busi-

nesses within the group continue to drive down costs and improve productivity. SCSM, whose principal cus-

tomers include General Motors and Freightliner, reported a £13.7 million operating profit on continuing operations last year, up from Ell million in 1994. Turnover climbed from E72.3 million to E106 million.

Mr Donnelly said the company was strongly cash-generflower is funding a large part of the deal through debt. By contrast, it had planned to fund the Pullman bid through a £139 million rights issue.

Mayflower's contracts include a deal to make the body shell for Rover's MGF sports car and the cab for the Ford Aeromax truck. Mr Donnelly said the company was still considering longer-term plans to move into complete car manufacture for low-volume,



John Simpson, Mayflower's chief executive, with a Mercedes off-roader. Half the body shell is produced by SCSM

Elections boost J Bibby as £42m profit beats forecasts

By Fraser Nelson

INCREASED political certainty in Spain and Portugal has aided the recovery of J Bibby. the mini-conglomerate, which returned record year-end results vesterday.

The company, 78 per cent owned by South Africa's Barlow group, said that recent elections in the two countries had created more stable economic climates. Bibby also enhanced margins by raising

including losing 80 of its 1,420

workforce in Spain.
The annual results beat expectations, and Bibby shares rose 72 p to a four-year high of 144p yesterday. Richard Mansell-Jones, chairman, attributed the results to Bibby's new policy of concentrating on areas in which it has a commanding market share.

The capital equipment division led the profit advance, from £9.2 million to £14.1 million. Its industrial division also saw significant growth. Profits from materials handling grew more slowly, up 7.5 per cent, to £21.5 million.

In the year to September 28, pre-tax profits were £42.8 million, up from £32.9 million last year and losses of E10.7 million in 1994. Earnings per share were 16.93p (12.07p). A 5.5p final dividend, due on January 31, makes 7.5p (5.75p).

Oil and gas field costs at lowest

in ten years

BY OUR BUSINESS STAFF

NORTH SEA oil and gas field operating costs are at their lowest levels in more than ten years but could start to rise again shortly, according to a study published by Wood Mackenzie, the consultancy,

The study said average operating costs for UK fields have fallen 23 per cent since 1990 in real terms. Of this fall, about 60 per cent has occurred since the end of 1994. Platform demanning rationalisation of operations and other costsaving initiatives have led to the lowest average unit operat-

ing cost since the early 1980s.

But the cost of extracting oil from mature fields and development of frontier acres west of the Shetland Islands will counter low cost production smaller field developments

said Wood Mackenzie. "From our base case analy sis we have forecast the level of unit operating cost to gradually increase over the next five years from £2.64 per barrel of oil equivalent (boe) in 1996 to £2.86 per boe in 2001 in real

terms," Wood Mackenzie said, The survey considered estimates from 25 companies accounting for more than 90 per cent of all operating exense on the UK Continental Shelf. British Gas was found to have the lowest unit operating cost,

Second-half warning hits Mackie shares

SHARES in Mackie International, the Bellast engineering company, fell 30p yesterday to a low of 155p after the company company, fell 30p yesterday to a low of 155p after the company issued a profits warning on its second-half performance. Mackie said the slowdown in textile machinery sales, which caused a profits slump in the first half, is expected to cause a further reduction for the remainder of the year. "Group profitability in the second half is dependent on sales yet to be made and delivered before the year end." the company said.

In September Mackie reported a fall in interim pre-tax profits to 100 million from 1132 million on reduced turnover of 195.

to £1.04 million from £1.32 million on reduced turnover of £9.5 million largely because of difficulties in the textile market. Since the company was floated in September 1994, management has tried to reduce its dependence on the highly cyclical textile sector by embarking on a programme of joint ventures and strategic alliances in other businessess. Yesterday Mackie said that next year those new businessess should account for 60 per cent of the company's estimated £30 million turnover. It also insisted that its strong balance sheet and low gearing will allow it to make a strong recovery from what it called "this temporary setback".

Porter Chadburn pays

PORTER CHADBURN, the producer of labels that has operations in Britain and America, is returning to the dividend list after an absence of three years. The company is making an interim payment of 0.25p a share in respect of the six months to September 27. Porter Chadburn reported pre-tax profits of £2.3 million for the period, compared with £2.1 million in the first half of the previous year. The company's turnover from continuing operations totalled £35.6 million, compared with £31.5 million. Earnings were 1.65p a share, down from 1.75p previously:

Smart builds to £2.8m

I SMART & Co (Contractors), the building and civil engineering contractor, yesterday reported pre-tax profits of £2.84 million for the year to the end of July. In the previous year profits were £3.44 million but included an exceptional credit of £1.37 million arising from property and asset sales. Earnings rose to 27.48p a share from 23.14p. A final dividend of 6.9p a share makes a total of 9.4p (9p). Certain shareholders have waived their rights to the interim dividend and the proposed final dividend, saving the company £471,852.

Staveley expands in US

STAVELEY INDUSTRIES, the technical services, measurement equipment and minerals company, is expanding in America with the \$4.9 million purchase of Accurate Metallurgical, based in California, and PCMS, of Cleveland, Ohio. The two companies have combined annual sales of \$6 million. Yesterday Staveley also reported a 26 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £10.2 million in the six months to September 28. Barnings were 6.7p a share (5.3p). The interim dividend is increased to 2.5p a share from 2.3p.

Warner Howard ahead

WARNER HOWARD GROUP, the distributor of commercial laundry systems, catering equipment and waste compactors, achieved an II per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £3.95 million in the six months to August 31. Earnings improved by 9 per cent to 10.9p a share. An interim dividend of 3.5p a share is recommended, up 11 per cent. The company said the acquisition of Orwak Linley last year had strengthened the company's position in the waste management sector. Further acquisitions were possible, given the strength of the company's balance sheet.

Rights at AG Holdings

AG HOLDINGS, the manufacturer of dispatch and shipping reels, is raising £3.8 million through a rights issue to reduce borrowings and fund future developments. Shareholders are offered one new share for every six held at 134p each, against yesterday's price of 1512p, down 52p. The company also reported a rise in pre-tax profits to £3.45 million, from £3.03 million previously, for the year ended July 31. Earnings were 12p a share, compared with 10.8p. The total dividend is increased to op a share, from 5.75p last time, with a 3.75p final.

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convenience store group, yesterday gave warning that it may record a loss in the full year because of weaker trading in its high street stores together with the cos panding the group.

The announcement came as

CULLEN'S. the upmarket Cullen's reported a fall in halfyear pre-tax profits from £132,000 to £65,000, though sales were ahead 11.4 per cent to El4.4 million. Like-for-like sales rose I per cent.

> The interim results, says the group, reflect the increased administrative costs and the

stores reverting from franchise to management control. In addition, the food shoos have come under greater pressure. "The high street has definitely

impact of several unprofitable trading hours," said Robert Rayne, Cullen's chairman. He said the group was repositioning its stores to build an emphasis on fresh food and food to go". The shops, he added, tion with retailers such as more accommodating to our Tesco Express extending their core market"

Despite the tougher conditions faced by the stores, which are principally located in London, Mr Rayne said there was plenty more opportunity to expand the chain in the capital and outside.

Cullen's priority in the short term is to expand its patisserie chain. A fourth outlet will open next month in London and a further five are planned

Cullen's is not paying an interim dividend. Its shares fell 234p to 1814p.

Discovery rejects higher bid

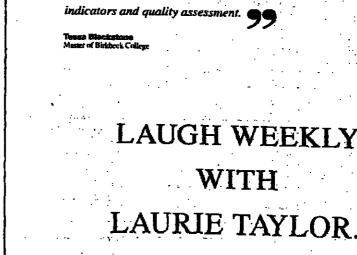
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DISCOVERY Petroleum, the Australian oil producer, firmly rejected Premier Oil's increased A\$106.5 million (£53 million) takeover bid for the company yesterday saying that it still does not fully reflect the value of its shares.

Peter Jones, Discovery chairman, also said that shareholders should wait for further news about what Oil Search, a major shareholder, intends to do, saying that Oil Search had recently completed a review of the company. Oil Search, which operates in Papua New Guinea, took a 10 per cent stake in Discovery four days after Premier launched its initial A\$92 mil-

lion bid. The key attraction of Discovery to both Premier and Oil Search is its interest in Indonesia's Kalap offshore oilfield. Mr Jones said that Premier's revised 80 cent offer was still 7 per cent below the mid-point of the independent valuation range of between 77 cents and 95 cents, and also below Discovery's recent stock market highs of 82 cents.

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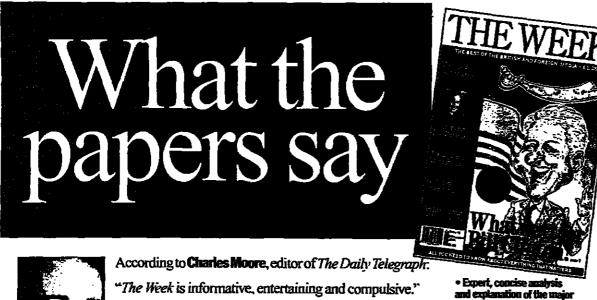


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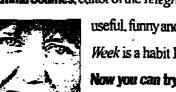
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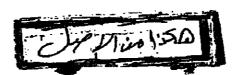
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Shaftesbury pays £90m for right to revive Carnaby St

CARNABY STREET has been sold to the owner of London's Chinatown Shaftesbury, the property group specialising in West End tourist destinations. has agreed to pay £90 million for the 93 properties that make up the Carriaby Estate.

The deal is not yet sealed, but Wereldhave, the Dutch owner of the estate will be more than pleased by the price on the table. Only two months ago, Wereldhave asked its agents to seek a buyer for the properties. Suitably armed with 1960s memorabilia. Healey & Baker launched a campaign that drew heavily on fashion icons past but had a minimum price of only £69 million for the 0 plus lots.

In the end, the properties

fetched at least 30 per cent more, and rumour had it that bidders included big names such as Gerald Ronson, Scottish Life, the insurer, and Benchmark, the property company rejuvenated by a £100 million property deal with Friends Provident.

Shaftesbury is staying silent about the deal; some 90 property transfers must be signed before it is in the clear. It will also be talking to its shareholders. At least some of the purchase price will need to be raised in a share issue. After being tapped for money in July, institutional investors will want to be consulted. The Carnaby Street leases currently generate just under £6 mil-lion in rents, giving an initial

Value of contract distributor halved

BY MARTIN BARROW

SHARES of Applied Distri-bution fell 27ap to 35p, associated with the sched-almost halving the compa-uled expiry of some ny's stock market value, after the contract distribution business said it would not pay a final dividend after a deterioration in trad-

ing in the second half. Applied's stock market value was reduced by £9.67 million to £12.3 million as analysts took a dim view of

the company's prospects.
Earlier this year the shares traded as high a 191p.
Sir Hugh Biowell, chairman, said a number of factors were to bame for the downturn in trading since the half-year. These included pressure for additional service enhancements by a number of customers without sufficient conpensating adjustments in charges and

Sir Hugh said that as a result of these problems the company was likely to break even in the second half, which ends December 3L

. In spite of having promised to recommend a maintained final dividend of 4.5p as recently as August, the company considered it would no longer be appropriate to pay a final divi-dend. The interim dividend, paid on October 10, was held

In 1995 Applied Distribu-tion earned pre-tax profits of £5.1 million, rising from £4 million in the previous year. In the first half of the current year profits fell to £244,000 from £2.23 million.

investment yield of only 6 per cent. The price might make a casual observer wonder whether Shaftesbury and its rivals are interested in collecting relics rather than rents.

Yet nothing could be farther from the truth. When fashion left Carnaby Street in the 1970s, the area sank rapidly into trading in T-shirts and tourist ephemera. However. within the past ten years, things have been changing in the West End. Rents have shot up in the restaurant and leisure locations of Chinatown and Soho, and the media and music industries are once again feeling prosperous and pushing beyond Wardour Street and Golden Square. Carnaby Street is not yet a trendy location, but, under Shaftesbury's tutelage, it has a better chance of making it.

Shaftesbury, a canny opera-tor with a style based on maximum management but minimum intervention, has made a fortune from its_traditional area of Gerrard Street and Shaftesbury Avenue. By working closely with Chinatown tenants, it has turned an unim-pressive collection of buildings into a gold mine by increasing restaurant sizes while preserving the area's character.

Tim Sketchley, of Healey & Baker, reckons that Shaftesbury will gently move Carnaby Street upmarket, introducing new tenants. "One of the potentially important sectors is the music business." he said. "If you look at where it leisure are possibilities."

Shaftesbury already owns some Carnaby Street properties, so there is scope for deals. The company is expanding south, too. In July, it raised £30 million to buy the Island site, next to the Trocadero at Piccadilly Circus, in a move that should see Chinatown's borders extended.



Christopher Sporborg, left, with Nicholas Page, managing director, are pegging the payout

Hambro Insurance rises 50%

By Robert MILLER

HAMBRO Insurance Services has held the interim dividend at 1.85p a share despite a near 50 per cent jump in pre-tax profit to £4.53 million. The insurer, which will make the interim payout, worth £1.2 million in total, on December 18, said continuing competitive pressure on its Hambro Legal Protection division had resulted in a 17 per cent fall in profit to £2.1 million in the six months to September 30. Christopher Sporborg, chairman of Hambro, said that in future the legal insurance arm, which saw Tempus, page 28 turnover rise 7 per cent to £11.8 million, would adopt the trading name of Hambro Assistance.

Elsewhere in the Hambro portfolio, Cunningham UK, the loss adjusting and claims company, improved its operating performance, while Cunningham International contributed £1 million to the group's bottom line. Beale Dobie, the market maker in second-hand traded endowment policies, recorded un-changed profits of £700,000 on a 44 per cent rise in turnover to £15.8 million.

Mr Sporborg said that Hambro, which saw earnings per share increase to 3.76p, against 2.75p in the same period last year, had benefited from last year's hurricanes.

Food and drink shortfall in inward investment

By Sarah Cunningham

ing, one of the largest industries in the UK, has become more competitive but is failing to attract its share of inward investment due to poor transport infrastructure and a lack of skilled workers, according to a new report.

The Strathclyde University Food Project, set up six years ago by the food industry to help to boost sales and close Britain's trade gap with the rest of the world, holds its final seminar today Sir Alistair Grant, chairman

of Safeway, the supermarket group, and of the project, will tell delegates that initiatives suggested by the project have nelped the British food industry to add sales of at least £300 million. "Quantifying the financial impact of any reduction of the food and drink trade gap is far from straightfoward, given such events as effective devaluation following exit from the ERM," he said.

Among the examples cited of companies helped by the project is Van Heyningen Brothers, the horricultural division of Hazlewood Foods, which has become the largest glasshouse grower in the world, producing 30,000 tonnes of tomatoes a year. This has helped to cut the import of Dutch tomatoes 30 per cent, the seminar will be told. Other companies have helped to cut Danish and Dutch bacon imports.

But the project's final report - the basis for today's seminar - says that high debt levels within the industry suggest that massive investment has not yet paid off in terms of

productivity and production. The UK has the third-largest food industry in the European Union, worth over £100 billion if catering is included. It emplovs more than three million people in primary production. manufacturing, retailing and distribution. But it is not growing as rapidly as its competitor

FOOD and drink manufactur- industries because pre-tax margins are low, reflecting consumer.

Although British companies beat their European competitors in management of the supply chain, Britain is falling behind in attracting inward investment because of geography, poor transport and an unskilled labour force. The report suggests that offering more speciality and premium products would give the industry an added advantage.

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SBC sees profits up in 1996

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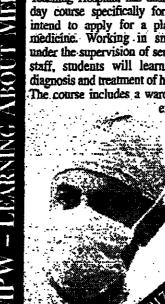
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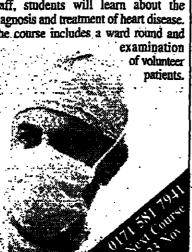
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A boarding revolution

State boarding schools are enjoying a boom, says Angela **Brooks**

eter and Clare Wilson were both expensively educated at public schools. Peter Wilson, now chief executive of the Theatre Royal. Norwich, at Westminster School. His wife went to Prior's Field, the school founded by Aldous Huxley's mother.

The Wilsons never seriously contemplated denying their three sons an equally exclusive eldest. 13-year-old Alexander, said he was unhappy at his prep school, they lined up four boarding schools as possible alternatives and were delighted when he chose Wymondham College.

Not only did they believe Wymondham, a state boarding school, to be the best of the batch for Alexander, but they also slashed their annual school fees bill by £2,300.

We have been putting aside money for fees for some time." says Mr Wilson. "We couldn't afford the present fees out of current income."

The Wilsons are part of a new breed of middle-class parents forced by rising fees for boarding at a public school - many now top £12,000 per year - to turn to state boarding schools. Many such schools do as well or better in league tables than the public schools on which they are patterned. Parents of state boarders pay only the boarding component of the fees -

about £4,000 a year. There are 39 grant-maintained state schools offering boarding to choose from ranging from comprehensives and selective grammar schools offering some boarding places to those wuch as Wymondham College, Old Swinford Hospital School and Sexey's, which are overwhelmingly boarding schools.

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Two other parents, James



Peter and Clare Wilson sent their son Alexander to Wymondham College, Norfolk, and cut their fees by £2,300 a year

them to supplement their in-

come by recruiting foreign pupils. The outlined plans

would allow them to charge

such students boarding and

tuition fees, but the fees would

still be unlikely to rise beyond

£6,000 - half the cost of fees at

Chris Potter,

Headmaster of Old

Swinford Hospital

School, one of the

country's leading

state boarding

there is a "fantasti-

cally large market

for a good board-

ing education at a

cut-rate price". He

says he doesn't

want a battle devel-

oping between state and inde-

pendent boarding schools but

he admits: "We're pinching

their customers. We are fish-

Recently, the heads of state

boarding schools set up Stabis

(the State Boarding Informa-

tion Service), to challenge the

supremacy of Isis (the Inde-

ing in their waters."

and Emma Blakeney, had their two sons, Simon, 15, and Mark. 13. attending as day boys at the junior school of Warminster. Then Simon came home six years ago insisting that "the boarders have more fun".

We found that Simon could board at Sexey's - a state boarding school near us - for pretty much the same cost as being a day boy at Warminster." Mrs Blakeney says. When the Blakeneys told Warminster they were considering withdrawing Simon, he was offered a free boarding place there "because he is quite academic and they were keen

But by that time, the family were disenchanted with public schools, "I'd watched the senior boys when I parked to pick up the children and 1 started to feel they weren't that well-mannered. They were arrogant and elitist - in the way public school boys can be and that is something we just didn't see at Sexey's," Mrs

happy have the Blakeneys been with Sexey's that Simon's younger brother. Mark, a keen cricketer, followed when he was II. "The boys do plenty of unpressurised sports," says Mrs Blakeney. "There are all

sorts of clubs and school trips

to Wimbledon, to the opera and to 'We are the theatre. They go dry-slope skiing fishing the locally. I feel the boys are getting what we think of as waters of a traditional, public school education public liberal environschools' ment and at day school cost."

State boarding schools are on a winning streak. Although the potential for growth is limited by dormiplaces - 4,000 nation-- demand for places is

Gillian Shephard, the Education and Employment Secretary, is trying to help the state schools schools by allowing pendent Schools Information Service).

The state school heads have seen the independents marketing themselves aggressively in Malaysia, Singapore, Hong Kong, Russia, Korea and Taiwan. Some of them now have half their rolls filled with foreign students. As a result, parents of foreign children can feel disappointed that they are not getting a completely "British" education.

Chris Potter and Stabis heads have noted this, and while they are hoping to be able to recruit more pupils from abroad themselves, they are determined not to overlook the sort of "home grown" boys who have long been nurtured at schools such as Old

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How children can get a kick out of being considerate

Jennai Cox reports on a project which encourages students to give something back to the community

pressed in her vision for a better society, Frances Lawrence said children should be taught "the richness of making a difference in one's community".

invited to address a conference next week which is to discuss a scheme that gives children the chance to learn how to become good citizens.

When applying for funds from the initiative, schools must explain how their project will contribute to the local community. Endorsed by the three main political parties when it was launched last year. Barclays New Futures, which is run in con-junction with CSV, now funds more than 160 projects involving 360 schools.

One project has been the development of a cinema by a school in Cumbria. In a survey of local needs carried out by Beacon Hill pupils last year, the lack of a movie house was cited most often. Having calculated the cost of reviving a derelict cinema in Aspatria, the students drew up a business plan and then co-operated with the owner and the town council. Glynis Seddon, the acting head teacher at the school, believes the opportunity allowed the youngsters to show that they were capable of running a major project. They have had to learn how to put across the benefits of a community project to people outside the area, which isn't always easy when you are 14," she says. There is a great deal of vitality in local communities that often goes

untapped." Clearing a local walkway near their school in Louth. Lincolnshire, is how pupils at Deighton Close are demonstrating their commitment. Boys across the secondary school age range have cleared litter and built a bench for ramblers. To Mike Smith, the headmaster, the importance of the scheme lies in its giving the children a feeling of worth from doing something positive. "Any ini-tiative that gives kids a kick out of being thoughtful and considerate should be encouraged." Mr Smith says.

in a consultation on a moral code for schools, the School Curriculum and Assessment Authority (SCAA) proposes community service for youngsters, such as help-ing the elderly. The "Granny

> There is a great deal of vitality that goes untapped'

Project" at Brannel School in St Austeil, Cornwall, could

provide a working model. As part of their history lessons on the Second World War, year nine pupils have been interviewing people about their memories of that period. The memories will be published in a book. The students have come to understand the problems faced by old people, says Peter Bishop, the school's community tutor, such loneliness and being put into a home. "All of these things they knew nothing of before. They have become more caring and understanding," he says.

part of citizenship classes. But the sense of value felt when contributing to others is difficult to engineer. says Steve Miles, technology teacher at The Bicknell School in Bournemouth, Dorset. He feels, therefore, that it must be integrated into a tangible scheme. A local architect and a construction firm have both lent their services to improving the school's playground which will eventually be available for community use. "It is getting across the message to children that not all of the world is selfish place." Mr Miles says. "They have learnt to work together and to achieve something they could not have done

idea being put forward as

Many of the teachers running community projects say young people are often terri-fied of tackling projects when they start our, but are equal-ly rewarded when they succeed. None, though, could have been possible without the capital injection of between £3,000 and £8,000. Linda Goodwin, community manager at Horndean Community School in Waterlooville, Hampshire, whose students are working with the disabled to produce a multimedia show, says: "A worthwhile and meaningful project such as this cannot be done on a wing and a prayer. The more good you do, the more it seems to generate."

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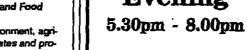
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Would home-school contracts have saved The Ridings, asks Hugh Thompson



The ville school in uproar: teachers say that contracts are of little use if parents themselves are of an antisocial nature

Can sign, won't sign

abour swers by them, the Government encourages them, they're the latest big idea in therrowing dehate on school disciplie. But would home-school conners have had any impact at Thelidings or the other schools tha have hit the headlines in recent/eeks?

Neil Thornley, ho faces the possibility of a teacers' strike over an allegedly unru pupil, thinks not. The head of arms High in Bacup. Lancashir says: "They would not be worthe paper they were printed on.

They would pathise the 95 per cent who are alrely supportive and make no different to the rest. I know it's against thurion line, but I think written conters would be a complete waste of tie."

The contracts laput what the school expects of parents and pupils in terms of utorms, attendance and behavior and what they in turn can eject from the school. The aim ito bind the parents closer to the hool and rule

out potential disagreements about who is responsible for what.

For Liz Paver, Head Teacher of Intake Primary school, Doncaster, the system works well. "We make all parents sign it every September and for the eight to ten-year-olds there is a weekly book monitoring progress we ask the parents to sign. It is a system that means nobody can hide.

"Since we introduced these contracts there have been fewer parents challenging teachers and there is more understanding of our system. It is important that the contract is established at primary school, because it gets parents into the right frame of mind."

But Mrs Paver, vice-president of the National Association of Head Teachers, may be in a minority. Many other heads share Mr Thornley's view. They say that when a parent accepts a place at a they have contractually accepted its rules and ethos as laid out in its prospectus.

Tony Williams, Head Teacher of

Sedgefield Community College, in Stockton-on-Tees, says: "A contract signed by every parent would be an unnecessary piece of bureaucracy. Those parents who most need a contract are either not going to take seriously or are not going to

John Kenwood, Head of Bourne Primary in Eastbourne, agrees: "It would be a nightmare trying to get 500 contracts signed and sealed every term." Clapton High School, in east London, which took part in a

contract of partnership project, sponsored by the Royal Society of Arts, has a non-binding agreement which is signed by everyone at the beginning of the pupil's career. Miggie Hillson, head teacher, says: "I am worried by any type of coercive element, that is why we called ours an agreement. It is most useful when there are problems and we can all start from the positive position that we share the same expectations."

· Others point out that contracts

are often used as part of the support and sanction mechanism when things start to go wrong. The contract is used to draw the parents and school together as part of the programme for stopping a pupil being excluded.

However, a report on the RSA project, which was presented to a conference in London this week, raised fears that the contract might be used purely as a weapon against parents. John Bastiani, the author of the report, described his view as one of "positive agnosticism", recognising the potential of contracts but wary of the variety of approaches and opposition.

Dr Bastiani said: "Home/school arrangements can, and should. provide a framework for a continuing discussion about what teachers, parents and pupils might reasonably expect from one another. In the hands of politicians, however, they are fast becoming a blunt instrument with which to beat unsuspecting parents into

Governors must share the blame for failing schools

Some years ago I was summarily removed from my post as head teacher of a private school. As with the current case at Cheltenham, parents were informed only of the fait accompli and, when they pressed the governors, they were told that I had resigned and an implication was made that, in spite of the board's pleadings, I had walked out.

This arose from events at a confused and hysterical board meeting, but the clearest objective evidence that I was sacked comes from two facts. Before and after the event the discussion was not about resignation but about some allegations of misdemeanours on my part: and, in the eventual settlement, they paid me the precise sum of money which they were legally obliged to pay if they had dismissed me.

I do not complain about being sacked. They had every right to do that and by the time it happened we had definitely gone off one another. I do complain about their refusal to answer questions for weeks and that, when they were finally cornered, they misrepresented my part in the story.

There were many causes, but

there were two main, closely related, factors. First, the gover-nors' unwillingness to spend time on the school and their consequent ignorance about it and, secondly, the ruthless determination of a minority of the staff to hang on to a comfortable regime they had achieved years before at a time of teacher shortages.

The school was in a mess when I arrived, losing money and certain to lose large numbers of pupils because there were big groups at the top of the school, tiny ones at the bottom and almost no forward registrations. This had been made clear to me by the bursar and I assumed that the governors also knew it. Later I realised that they did not. I fully understood that my task was to clear it up.

The buildings were dangerous and insanitary and smoking and drinking were rife. Academic standards were so low that girls who had arrived with scholarships were failing their O levels and the sixth form was more effective in providing entry to the local social scene than entry to university. The senior staff had been there far too long and had not adapted to modern conditions.

Most of the staff, the pupils and

A former head teacher recalls

how she felt let down by her

governing body

their parents understood the problems and set to with great enthusiasm to put things right. Some people worked incredibly hard. At first the governors, too, made some brave decisions. We repaired or replaced the buildings, improved the food, restored discipline and raised academic standards. All this. was achieved while simultaneously making big economies. But we had to tackle those bad staff and get them to work harder if the school was to remain solvent. They understood the position and. pri-

> 'Buildings were dirty and smoking and drinking were rife'

vately, several of them agreed that they had had a good run and would need to do more. But many were within reach of their pensions and did not want to break the habit of years so they formed a little conspiracy to tell strange tales about me to the governors.

If ever there was a time to stand firm this was it. But, because they did not know whom to believe and could not be bothered to find out, they took what they hoped was the easy course. It turned out not to be so easy. A sixth of the pupils left, the governors rowed with the next two heads and now the school has been forced to amalgamate with a thriving one near by whose only problem was lack of space. I am delighted and expect it to prosper

The governors were mostly distinguished and experienced people, so why were they so inept? think it was because they were ignorant about education, did not take their role at all seriously and

would not give enough time to it Because they had no time they did not inform themselves about the school, about the problems as they arose and about the ringleaders of the staff rebellion. Far too late, I realised that they did not seem to understand even about the

None of this would matter much if it had happened only to me, or only to that school, or only occasionally. It would not even matter too much if it were only the independent schools. Good and influential as many of them are, they educate only a small proportion of our children and the really good ones have good governors. But we now see it happening in the maintained sector.

Many governors feel vulnerable and it is not surprising that it is hard to persuade enough people to serve. But they are not really accountable. We have seen on television a group of governors walking out, having resigned from Manton School. No doubt they feel bruised and unfairly treated, but they have not lost their occupation or their livelihood.

In the panic raging now, many scapegoats have been offered --parents, the Government, local authorities, teachers, heads - almost everybody. What about the governors who, under the legislation, are almost in sole charge? Certainly we have heard about them making decisions or resigning, but I, at least, have not heard much discussion about who they are, how they are chosen and how much or how little they can or should do. It is often a thankless

I have to admit that it is hard to think of a satisfactory solution and, although legislation has been called for recently in these columns, and would surely be needed, I can't help also feeling that schools have had a lot of that lately, not always very well thought out, and I wince at the thought of more. But I am writing this because the first step towards reform must be exposure of how negligent, irresponsible and unjust boards of governors can be and how much harm they can do.

After all, even if parents have not invested large sums of money in their schools, they all invest long periods of their children's formative years. The author wishes to remain

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POP 1 Oh dear! The promising Tricky takes a

step backward

with his new,

pretentious disc



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Bally Sagoo deserves better reward for the exotic mix on his new album, Rising from the East





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Paunchy, balding and Australian, Dave Graney has all the qualities to be one of the great cult heroes



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 \dots while the two sisters of Alisha's Attic conform all to closely to a modish steretype

What does it mean? That's a Tricky one

TRICKY
Pre-Millennium Tension (Fourth & Broadway/

NOWHERE in the arts is the line between genius and non-sense more finely drawn than in popular music. Witness the strange progress of Tricky. Having created a twilight world of unfathomable mystery and infinite possibility with his beguiling debut al-bum, Maxinquaye, the dark prince of trip hop has taken one small step in the wrong direction with Pre-Millennium Tension, and disappeared

up his own muse. The warning signs were clear enough when, in April, he quietly released an "extracurricular album under the vainglorious pseudonym of Nearly God. More monotoPOP ALBUMS: David Sinclair

turns on, tunes in and drops off to some wild and crazy guises

nous than mind-bending, it suggested an artist drowning in a sea of increasingly selfcentred preoccupations. PMT does little to redeem the

The eerie atmospheres and clanking rhythm loops are much as they were on Maxinquaye and just occasionally, as on Makes Me Wanna Die, when Martina Topley Bird gets a clear run at vocal, there are sporadic flashes of the old magic. But for most of the time it is Tricky's distorted gurgle that

dominates, as he intones impenetrable snippets of mantra-like verse against a succession of haphazardly structured backing tracks. The result is murkier than a

"Look deep into my mongrel eyes, tell me what you see." he demands in a rare moment of lucidity, during the course of a bluesy ramble called Tricky Kid. The answer seems to be a man whose distinctive musical vision has become too clouded to make much sense

ALISHA'S ATTIC Alisha Rules The World

WHILE all new acts, whether they admit it or not, are trying to establish an identity that fits the current bill, Alisha's Attic have concocted a formula that seems more contrived than most. Combining the kooky duo dynamic of Shakespears Sister with the tart delivery of Alanis Morissette, sisters Karen and Shellie Poole have produced a debut that fairly drips with modish pop tunes and a fashionably off-kilter

attitude. Produced by Dave Stewart it is nevertheless a varied and engaging collection which skips from the singalong chorus of Alisha Rules the World to the rootsy hip hop rhythm of The Golden Rule without missing a beat. And although the lyrics are often given a rather trippy spin — The galaxy is open, so paint me on your right hand - they hint at spiky emotional truths in their own playful way.

BALLY SAGOO Rising from the East (Higher Ground/

Columbia 485016) WHEN Bally Sagoo's Hindi single Dil Cheez rose to No 12 in the chart last month, there was much fevered talk (not for the first time) of an imminent breakthrough of Anglo-Asian music into the pop main-stream. But the disappointing first-week sales of Sagoo's album, Rising from the East, suggest that he is still only selling to a relatively narrow band of the converted.

Which is a shame, given that the album's exotic mix-ture of reggae, dub, hip hop and Asian cultural stylings will surely appeal to fans of more ostensibly successful acts such as Jah Wobble and and indeed to anyone with an ear for the club music of the 1990s, which is routinely enriched by such influences from around the globe.

DAVE GRANEY 'N' THE CORAL SNAKES The Soft n'Sexy Sound (This Way Up/ Island 528 416)

A CROSS between Jarvis Cocker and Mike Flowers, Dave Graney is a paunchy, balding Australian with the exaggerated stage mannerisms and ostentatious jewellery of a duty-free love god. His songs are strange, existential narratives that invariably lead nowhere, but incorporate a wealth of humorously observed detail

along the way. His second British release this year. The Soft'n'Sexy Sound reveals more of the

lounge lizard side of his intriguing persona, with sooth-ing string arrangements providing a suitably kitsch backdrop to songs such as The Birds and the Goats and I'm

The Dark Keys (Columbia 486668 2) A WELCOME return to unal-Not Afraid to be Heavy.
But the self-styled "king of leisure rock" also calls on his loyed jazz after his excursion Coral Snakes to supply more conventional arrangements. into hip hop and rap, this is a typically robust, not to say both acoustic and electric. The best of these is Rock'n'Roll is frenetic, trio recording energised by Marsalis's extraordi-Where I Hide, which ends with a long list of off-the-peg nary rapport with the stereotypes the modern rock turnultuous but consistently star may adopt to conceal his tight drummer. Jeff "Tain" lack of a real identity: "A Watts. ramblin' man/A pirate of love/A rider on the range/A They are joined by another seventh son of a seventh son." There are several layers of irony involved here, not the least being that Graney him-

self seems to have gone for the

TOP TEN ALBUMS

Joe Lovano. Melodically somewhat sparse, and hovering at times on the edge of abstraction,

open enough to allow all

participants free rein, and the

BRANFORD MARSALIS

TRIO

'Marsalis regular, the unshowy, delicate bassist Reginald Veal, and on one track each by alto player Kenny Garrett and tenorman

The Long Road Home (JVC-2059-2) Marsalis's compositions are

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absence of a chordal instrument grants Marsalis in particular a great deal of space, of which he takes full advantage with his apparently unlimited improvisational gift on both tenor and soprano horns. The overall effect might be somewhat relentless, but for sheer brio and spontaneous inventiveness, it's hard to beat.

ERNIE WATTS

ALTHOUGH still probably best known away from the West Coast as the tenor player in bassist Charlie Haden's elegant Quartet West, Ernie Watts has recently begun establishing a considerable rep-utation for himself with a

This possibly his most polish effort to date, showcasinguis earnest, heart-onsleeve one to perfection by setting against a superb (but drumerless) rhythm section compred of sophisticated old handspianist Kenny Barron

and bisist Reggie Workman. Wars is an intensely expressi saxophone sound: embellhed with just the right amour of affecting, wispy vibrat to imbue both his origins and the two Charles Mingt compositions featured ere with an almost

conventional intimacy. He Iso provides sympathetic obligati to the bluesy vocal les of Carmen Lundy on a ciple of tracks; overall, this is fine album from a relativy unsung player.

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Visionary joannas

THE name might not have meant much to British listeners before pianist Lynne Arriale embarked on her debut tour here. By the time she returns home to New York she will have added a lengthy list of admirers to her cause.

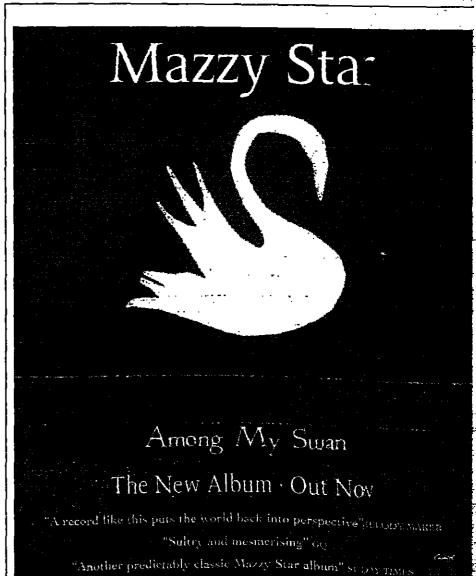
It took only a few minutes of her gig at the Bull's Head. SW13, to see why she has been championed by that acute judge of pianists, Marian McPartland. Arriale can unleash glittering single-note runs in the right hand, but she is much more interested in tonal colour and contrast, her long chordal sweeps creating her own dreamscape.

If she ran the risk of slipping into effete rhapsodising, her romantic impulses were kept in check by the forceful punctuations of her regular drummer Steve Davis, very much an equal partner in this group. That ever-resourceful bassist Dave Green readily accepted the invitation to join in their

Arriale's other great strength lies in her distinctive material. The combination of Monk's Think Of One, Chick Corea's Windows and Jobim's Zingaro made for an absorb-

ing and unusually varied set. Jobim cropped up again, this time in the over-familiar shape of Wave, in Dave Mc-Kenna's robust quartet session at Pizza Express, Wl. It was a little depressing to hear such gifted musicians fall so readily into the bossa nova rut. Happily, the rest of the evening showed why the American veteran has been hailed as a master of fullblooded, two-handed swing

The dynamic combination of Frank Tate and Butch Miles on bass and drums provided the high-octane fuel for Motoring Along. Even more satisfying, in its own quiet way, was a duet between Tate and guitarist Howard Alden on Ellington's Single Petal of a Rose and Black Beauty.



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The lord of bedroom soul is back: Alexander O'Neal returns with a new album and tour



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Do Kula Shaker actually believe that their pseudo-mystical songs will change the world?





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Alexander the grateful

hroughout the second half of the 1980s, Alexander O'Neal's richly romantic brand of soul had hun-dreds of thousands of record buyers in thrall and female fans in a permanent swoon. The lord of bedroom soul, he emerged with a self-titled debut album in 1985. fashioned by the masterful production and writing of Jimmy Jam and Terry Lewis, and was soon riding a wave of opulent, sensual ballads such as If You Were Here Tonight and compelling upbeat grooves like

It is now too easily forgotten how O'Neal bossed the crossover soul fraternity, staying on the British album charts for just a week shy of two years in 1987 and 1988 with Hearsay, commanding a place on the bill of a Prince's Trust gala and selling out six famous shows at Wembley Arena. Here, he created a boudeir on stage - bed, paramour, the works - and an occasion that soul fans still talk about with genuine fondness.

But, like so many musical heroes, O'Neal found a shortcut from easy street to skid row. Even during the success of his first record, he had checked into a drug and alcohol rehabilitation clinic and, by 1993, with the hits growing smaller, his passage into the abyss gathered speed. O'Neal left his longtime home at Tabu Records and signed for Motown, but the legendary label chose not to release any of the material he recorded for it.

"I know definitely from my experience, Motown is the worst record company in the world," O'Neal says. "They took two-and-aFinding God helped soul survivor Alexander O'Neal to straighten up and fly right. Paul Sexton reports

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half years out of my career and never released a record, can you believe that? Through all of the controversy that precedes me, all over the drugs and everything, I cut the best albums there that I ever cut in my life. It's a shame to have such a rich history of R&B music and to treat artists the way they do. I'm

just so glad to be away from them."
Only now, with a new deal with One
World/EMI Premier. fittingly secured in his second home of Britain, is he ready to face the reality that his worst enemy has been himself. "The three years I've been off have been the nastiest time in my life," O'Neal says. "I lived

for ten years like every night was Saturday night. But the only bad things I did in those ten years that I can think of were to myself. I'm not the kind of person that hurts other people. But there comes a time when you have to pay that debt. It's like God says: 'You've got no money, you've got no nothing. Now who are you?' I found out."

All mention of O'Neal's drug problems have been airbrushed from his record company biography, but he addresses them candidly. "I've been trying to maintain my spirituality. God never walks away from you, you walk away from Him. I'd been living by the flesh, not by the spirit. Not that I'm some overnight Christian, I've always been spiritual, but I lost my spirituality for years, it just got lost

When I got deeper into my addiction, I was telling people Just handle it, take care of it. instead of taking care of it myself. My heart was so hardened. I couldn't even cry. it's like being in prison for three years. I did it. I came out and I'm ready to kick ass."

To that end Lovers

Again. his comeback album, employs some top British producers, Ronnie Wilson and Dennis Charles, who have been responsible, in part, for fashioning the million-selling sound of Eternal. Also on board, for a remake of the Patti Austin/James Ingram duet Baby Come To Me. is O'Neal's old vocal partner Cherrelle, who helped him to storm the British charts for the first time in 1985 with Saturday Love, a classic club record.

While the album will not start a soul revolution, it pushes some of

the emotional buttons of O'Neal's best work. Voice intact and energy restored, he will play a series of British shows next month with a bigger tour to come next year, when Baby Come To Me is released as a single. "We're banking on the fans still being there," he says, admitting to some nervousness. "I want to believe that they grow up with

you and they grow old with you." In his absence, new titans of R&B such as Jodeci. R Kelly and Blackstreet have risen to power with many a reference to the "oldschool" sound of O'Neal and his ilk. Not to mention developing his trademark, boudoir-soul stage show to a point that leaves little to the imagination. "I can't put down what they're doing," he says. That's what they're selling, sex. I have sold some sex in my day."

He may again: when O'Neal plays here next year, he might bring the bed with him. I told the guys from the record company they should hold a poll on a radio station before I do the shows, and see how many people want the bed

In fact, not only the bed but all of O'Neal's goods and chattels may be on their way. As if in gratitude to the country that has given him another chance, the father of six and his fiancée are now considering making Britain their permanent home.

"I'm the happiest I've been in a long time," he says, "I see daylight now. I never used to."

◆ Lovers Again is released by One World/EMI Premier on Monday. Alexander O'Neal starts a seven-date UK tour on Dec o



After years spent treating every night as if it was Saturday night, Alexander O'Neal is clean and cooking

What have cosmic Kula Shaker and reality got in common? Blowed if Caitlin Moran knows

come from a hippy back-ground myself, I know my L Zen from my Tao. I know that allowing yourself a regular session of relaxing and clearing your mind (meditation) is a useful tool to stop you going insane, and that having a mainly raw, organic, vege-tarian diet makes you feel fit as a fox and ready for

Mystic mug goes pop

brace smoking an awful lot of marijuana, and this can lead to talking an appalling amount of hazy, paranoid waille. The average pot-head believes that the way society is currently run is unworkable hippy lifestyle tends to em- with which most people would

have a vague affinity. How-ever, if you really want to do something to change the political and moral climate, you have to be practical about it: and a stoned man in a tie-dyed T-shirt, talking about conspir-

instrument of change. Currently the worst ped-

diers of this pseudo-deep "spiritual" water-treading are Kula Shaker. Lead singer Crispian Mills - son of Hayley, grand-However, I also know that a and unethical - something acy theories and the mystic son of Sir John - was obviouspowers of the number ten, is - ly revolted by his public school

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contemporaries, and decided "drop out". He listened to the Kinks and the Beatles. travelled to India, and formed a band, calling them Kula Shaker on the basis that K has enormous spiritual power. So far, so good, if a little cliched. However, Mills seems to have absorbed a lot of Eastern philosophy and religion without understanding it: and appears to have reached the conclusion that merely knowing these things automatically

makes him a revolutionary.

"I think we're a force for youth revolution," he told NME last month. "We're subverting the system through the system." So far. Kula Shaker's revolution has consisted of singing their Top Ten hit Tativa in Sanskrit, thus making any "message" unintelligihie: insisting that the cover of their No I album, K, contains a collage of people and things that begin with the letter K. with King Kong, Clark Kent, Captain Kirk and a kettle all helping to bring about world peace; and bravely stating that people who "live in Hampstead are animals".

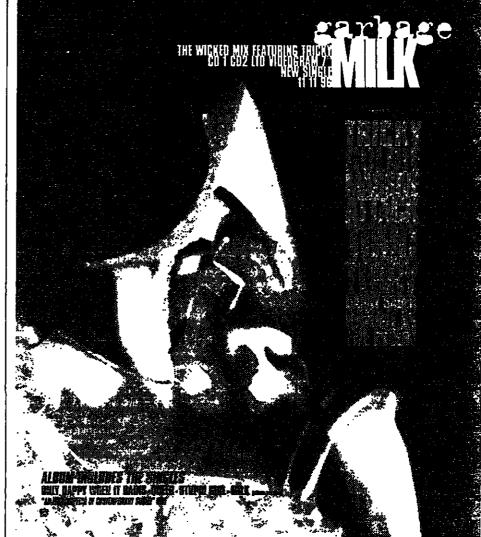
Kula Shaker believe that Britain is on the edge of a catactysmic change, as evidenced by a series of magical harbingers. When questioned as to what these mystical harbingers might be. Mills replied: "I turned on the TV yesterday and they were playing Tativa in the hairdressers on Coronation Street." Well, that's pretty conclusive.

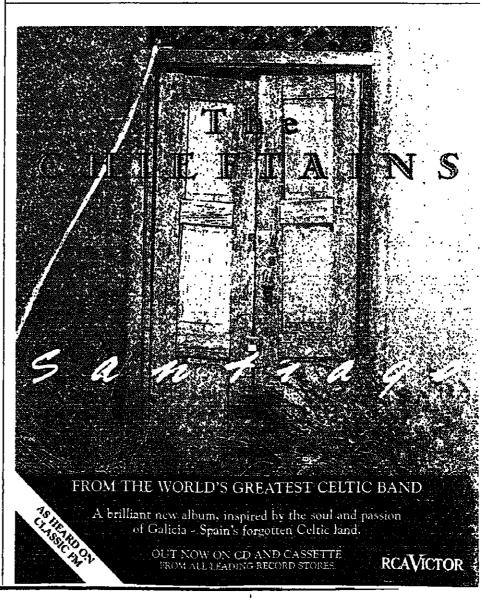
f course, this all seems fairly harmless on the surface. But generational leaders - which pop stars with No I albums certainly become - can't term themselves revolutionaries on the basis of being heard on Coronation Street. If you want to bring about change. you need facts, figures, names. addresses, phone numbers and the means to get this information to as many people as possible. K has already sold 300,000 copies: had Mills replaced pictures of Ken Dodd on its cover with Amnesty International's phone number, then he might have achieved something.
Being spiritually

doesn't automatically exclude being organised and focused. Julian Cope, one of the most enlightened "heads" in the music industry, has preached about the energy of stone circles and the symbolism of the cross for years. However, he also gives regular charity concerns, gives half of his Tshirt stall space to political and ethical pressure groups.

Surrendering control of your life to, in Kula Shaker's case, "the spirit of St George". leaves you gullible and ripe for being taken advantage of.
"Why the hell else do you think Tattra went straight up the charts?" Mills asked an interviewer who was cynical about "magical forces".

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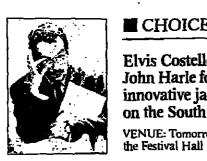
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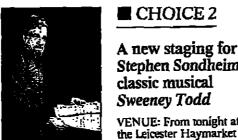
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ELSEWHERE
BELFAST: As part of the 34th Belfast
Festival at Queen's, Ront Gooden
conducts the Uister Orchostra in a
programme of classic liter acores to
celebrate the magic of a hundred years
of cinema (Lister Half, tenight, 7 45pm)
Tomorous (Elmanood Half, 8pm), the
Rephase Ensemble makes as first visat to
the festival with string quintists by
Brudwiner and Schubert. Meanwhile,
Brian Glover stars in a swashbuckling
production of The Three Musiceeers
(Grand Opera House, knoght and
formorous On Sunday (Aris Theatre),
Guy Masterson's solo performances of
Annual Farm (2 30pm) and Under Milk Guy Masterson's solo performances o Animal Farm (2 30pm) and Under Milk Wood (8pm) are a feat of multiple characterisation and vocal deuterly. Feetivel holling (01228 665577) (865321), for tickets and information

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call to childhood

A trunk

ELEPHANT-HEADED Ganesh is the Hindu god of good luck, the remover of obstacles and bringer of wisdom. Mrs Brynne (Eleanor Bron), travelling through India with Mrs Civil (Prunella Scales), buys a dozen or more carved representations of this helpful deity. always hoping to find one that reveals the features she imagi-

nes are his, a perfect Ganesh. Terrence McNally's attractive play begins as a search for healing. Mrs Brynne's favourite but estranged son Walter has been murdered by a gang of homophobes, and one purpose of her Indian holiday is to satisfy a childhood yearning to embrace and kiss a leper. This comes to mean a resolve to embrace the unpalatable truth of her son's love for men, and may also, in the powerful moment when Bron yells taboo words across a river, lead to some alteration of her hatred for his killers.

Neither of these achievements has been reached by the end of the play, nor has Mrs Civil shared with her friend one of her own griefs, the death of her four-year-old A Perfect Ganesh West Yorkshire Playhouse, Leeds

also occurred at a time of estrangement. She does share the discovery of a lump in her breast but we cannot suppose this honesty will allow it to be healed. In the Hindu cosmology where opposites are eternally paired, it is less the sick or heartsick body that matters than the restless soul.

So McNally's play modulates into a tender, elegiac piece, where the two women lose few of their quirky Con-necticut habits while the vast complexity of India is assailing them, but are opened to the possibility of change. The supreme moment of their experience comes at the Taj Mahal, and the writing in this scene, and Jude Kelly's direction, turn what might have. been a cliché into a credible spiritual experience.

Robin Don's creamy box set has served for a wide variety of scenes - airport, aeroplane, hotel balcony and bedroom,



India rubber: Tristan Sharps, Paul Bhattacharjee, Prunella Scales and Eleanor Bron

train, boat and riverbank but now for the first time an image appears on the rear wall: the Taj by moonlight. Theatrical convention allows us to believe the two women are gazing at its silhouette even though, for us to see their faces, their backs are turned to it. The convention is as dislocating (and rewarding) as a Picasso portrait that is fullface and profile in one.

The art of the impossible also allows McNally to bring on the light-hearted Ganesh himself - Paul Bhattacharjee almost always elephant-headed — as guide and numerous other participants in the story. The fourth cast member. Tristan Sharps, plays everyone else husbands, fellow travellers and both the dead sons. each of whom dances with his

Though I was not always convinced that the two women knew each other even as superficially as they say they do, both Scales and Bron are fine when confronting ugliness and panic, and are supremely moving when they recall, and eventually sing, the songs that summon up remembrance of lost sons.

JEREMY KINGSTON

Biff, bang, and black turns to grey

WHEN Tim Albery's production opened in May it divided my critical colleagues — "unforgivably dull and drab", "best RSC Macheth for ten years" — and now it has reached London it is dividing me. One half of myself finds it clear, fluent and, in intelligent Macbeth. The other wishes that both he and it had a greater sense of that metaphysical horror without which tragedy dwindles into a dour demonstration of the folly of wanting too much, too fast, too easily: in short, too unScottishly.

Stewart Laing's set does not help. consisting as it does of a winding paved path, a stone bench and a large shower curtain plastered with birds that leads, not to Macbeth's "rooky wood", but to the apricot-coloured innards of a half-built prefab. The witches are severe Victorian wardMacbeth Barbican

resses, neatly accounted with plaits and beards, but most of the cast look like supplement their wages by working as. commissionaires, chauffeurs and, in the case of Macbeth himself, the first officer on a Liberian-registered tanker. The set onens out a bit in the second half, but mostly it contrives to be banal vet obtrusive.

It is certainly wrong for a play that is, after all, supposed to be about the encroachment of evil. A plain black set and some subtle black acting are all Macbeth really needs. It gets little of either here, though Aliam's performance has other strengths. His usurper is a decent, thoughtful, energetic

man who knows what he is risking --'deep damnation" gets sombre emphasis here — but is too hungry to resist so sporting adult whiskers. intense a temptation. Rage, despera-tion, scorn follow as he watches himself decline in his own eyes and those of others.

one that can be traced back to David Garrick in the 18th century, and Allam manages it well. What he lacks is the spooky, haunted feel that Booth, Irving, Olivier all brought to the role. What he adds. however, is an emphasis on Macbeth's presumed childlessness. His real revenge on Macduff (as he makes clear both when he speaks and when he makes a personal appearance at the murder scene) is destroying the thane's sons. And his own deepest pain is that he has killed a king he loved for Banquo's heirs: a point Albery italicises by transforming

the line of future Scots kings into a medley of small boys incongruously Other strong moments include a

porter scene in which a mean-drunk Adrian Schiller stomps, snarls and then disconcertingly topples into an Lady Macbeth be so much the shrill harridan? And should the Scots nobles signal emotion with so many staccate shrieks and sudden roars? Sebastian Harcombe's tormented Malcolm: With this there grows such a stanchless AVARICE. Colum Convey's manic, frantic Macduff: "This avarice sticks DEEPER."

Verbal biffing and banging as arbitrary as this is unaristocratic and unreal It ALSO made me feel very NERVOUS indeed.

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. while, in Glasgow, Richard Armstrong directs a strong cast in Scottish Opera's Trovatore

Schumann meets his lunatic match

THEATRE: An American has written a curiously European play. Matt Wolf reports

n a theatre driven by stars on both sides of the Atlantic, it is rare for the play to be the thing. But such is the feat managed by Jon Marans's Old Wicked Songs in its current off-Broadway run, following acclaim earlier this year as a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for Drama.

In London, where Marans's play transfers next week after a season in Bristol, attention will inevitably be paid to the leading man, Bob Hoskins, who is returning to the stage after 13 years. But while Hoskins's presence in the West End is undoubtedly an event, so, too, is the emergence of a new American dramatist possessed of a sense of history — and immersion in culture that is traditionally thought of as

Set in 1986 Vienna, Old Wicked Songs pits Hoskins's Professor Mashkan, an ageing music professor whose life has become a series of lies, against newcomer James Callis as Stephen Hoffman, a young American planist recovering from a breakdown who goes to Austria to sign on as Mashkan's student. What brings the two together, and gives the play its dramatic arc, is Schumann's Dichterliebe, which the American --- a would-be accompanist - is given to learn vocally in order to gain some understanding of the challenges faced by singers.

Why Dichterliebe? Marans had a specific reason for choosing this song cycle, a touchstone of the German Romantic repertoire. "The words are by Heine, and there's definitely a young man's passion in the poems; Schumann then put this laver of melancholy on top of it." explains Marans, who looks far younger than his 39 years.

As a 19-year-old, this Maryland native spent six months studying in University in North Carolina, where he read maths and minored in music. "I had to study Schubert's Die Schöne Müllerin, but Dichter-



Songs for an angry young man: Jon Marans shows off the poster for his play, which has brought Bob Hoskins back to the West End stage after a 13-year absence

liebe - in the Fritz Wunderlich recording ("It may not be the one that's most technically brilliant, but it's the one that gets me most") was what I always found most haunting. It's a young man's anger and passion, and since that's what I was then, that's what I responded

Marans continues: "What happens in the song cycle is oddly mirrored in the play: the lyrics are the young man; the music, with its more experienced tinge of melanolder man who adds a whole layer of irony and sarcasm. The American is very black and white; he sees things very much as a young man

does. These are two people who have a lot of self-loathing, who aren't proud of who they are; the play is about those things inside us the old wicked songs — that we've got to let go."

The playwright began work on the script in 1990 during "a terrible time for me". His best friend had died the previous year. He then witnessed the collapse in London four days before rehearsals were due to start of a new American musical, Gold Diggers, to star for which he had co-written the book and provided additional lyrics. "Basically everything fell apart in my

moment, then, to write a play in which, as Marans points out, a young man "hopes to find some salvation, to see if he's doing the right thing with his life".

At university, Marans dreamt of being a lyricist-librettist and play-wright but — as is not uncommon got sidetracked by the film industry and took a lucrative job in New York as a script editor for Michael Douglas. "I never thought I would go back to the theatre, especially musical theatre; I thought, it's just writing from the heart, as opposed to on commission, that he found both his own voice, and an audi-

"It's interesting," says Marans, who went back and finished the play in 1993 (Frasier star David Hyde Pierce did the first reading), because I thought Old Wicked Songs was the play of mine no one would ever do. I said to myself, I'm going to write something very personal, since nobody's ever going to do a play in which the third character is the piano and the music of Schumann. I'm going to write

what I want; I don't care any more." Instead, "for better or worse it's 90 per cent talked about". Productions are being mooted as far off as Japan and Argentina (though not

fielding the inevitable film offers -"one studio I met wanted me to add a murder to the play" — while completing his next play, The Fabu-lous Invalid, a dark farce about

"All I really wanted to do was to make a living in the theatre, especially at this point," says Marans. So why continue writing

"Because I'm a lunatic, because I've been ingrained with a respect for the theatre more than anything. still feel that."

● Old Wicked Songs previews from Wednesday at the Gielgud (0171-494

yet in Vienna). Now Marans is 5065), opening on Nov 18

OPERA: A thrilling touring production of Trovatore opens in Scotland, and a Puccini-esque premiere poses a puzzle in Texas

Letting rip with Verdi

FORGET the production. "Village hall stuff," Rodney Milnes called it when new four years ago. It is now in the hands of Karen Howard, who has raised it to town hall level. although further progress seems unlikely. Forget, too, Tim Hatley's anonymous sets.

Instead concentrate on the voices. For Trovatore Scottish Opera has engaged a quartet of singers well worth hearing. with the two ladies taking most of the honours.

Penelope Walmsley-Clark is thrilling Leonora. She has the coloratura for the part: her Queens of the Night in

Il trovatore Theatre Royal, Glasgow

London were clear evidence of that. And now she has the weight to let the notes open and bloom over the orchestra. penultimate scene, outside Manrico's prison tower. depends almost entirely on the soprano, and Walmsley-Clark relished every minute of it. Bel canto comes naturally to her, but the songbird has added a touch of darkness which

recalls Rosalind Plowright. It was a pleasure, too, to hear Anne-Marie Owens in a part with some true red meat in it. Her Azucena was hampered by being kitted out in an extraordinary russet trousersuit, which made her more like a society hostess down on her uppers than a gypsy apt to get things muddled. Owens overcame all this with the sheer panache of her performance. Ai nostri monti could have done with a bit more tenderness. But to make up for that she literally spat defiance on being captured by di Luna, and scored a direct hit.

Jason Howard, a baritone who has been making much progress this year, took it all in his now considerable stride. The voice shades off a bit at the top, but the middle register has a keen vibrancy. Il balen was bumpy, but once into the cabaletta he was away.

The Chinese tenor, Deng, has become a house regular for the heavier Verdi roles. There is little grace in the voice, as the wedding cavatina made all too evident. But give Deng a sword and a cluster of



Vigour: Richard Armstrong

high notes to attack and he certainly has a go. Richard Armstrong also always has a go with Verdi. He had to nurse his Ferrando (Brian Matthews, none too happy in Italian) through the opening narration, then he let his players feel the pulse. With a sturdy chorus and four powerful voices, he could aff-

ord to let rip.
Those who like their Verdi vigorous will find much pleasure as Trovatore tours until the end of the month.

JOHN HIGGINS

Safely up the Amazon HOUSTON Grand Opera has an admirable record for Florencia en el **Amazonas** Houston Grand Opera

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The problem is how much

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from creating a Puccini opera a century too late. What does

this contribute to the art form

in the dying years of the

millennium? Do composers

commissioning new operas. There is a special corporately supported fund to back such enterprises, and HGO attracts joint commissioners to ensure that these premieres are not just one-offs. In such a serious context its latest commission, Daniel

Catan's Florencia en el Amazonas (Florence on the Amazon), poses a bit of a problem. In the West and South of America there is an acknowledgement that Spanish is the second most widely spoken language in the States, and a wish to explore Hispanic arts Catan was born in Mexico in 1949; his last opera, Rappaccini's Daughter, was given a successful new production in San Diego in 1994; this led to HGO's first commission in America of an opera to be performed in Spanish.

So far so good. Much was made in the advance market-ing of Florencia's supposed connection with the works of Gabriel Garcia Márquez, but reading between the lines it seems that the Grand Old Man politely declined permission to adapt his work, and put the composer in touch with one of his pupils,

Marcela Fuentes-Berain. Her libretto describes a voyage up the Amazon to Manaus at the turn of the last century. Florencia is an opera singer who has abandoned her roots and her lover for a European career, and has returned in search of both. A pair of young lovers fight shy of commitment in the first act. but decide to give it a go in the second; a married couple quarrel in the first act, make it up in the second - the symmetry is a little too pat. There is a wise ship's captain, and a river spirit, and Florencia reconciles art and love.

HGO's general director. David Gockley, had said: "1 want nothing less than the most beautiful opera in the last 50 years," and in certain respects he has got it. Catan's score for Rappaccini was unashamedly Neo-Romantic, but with a Ravellian spiciness. In Florencia he settles for early Puccini, betraying at

world? Catan is a prodigiously gifted composer with a natural, indeed Puccini-esque feeling for the stage; I just pray that with his next opera he aims a little higher.

Florencia was skilfully conducted by HGO's music director Vjekoslav Sutej. Sheri Greenawald gave a character istically committed performance in the title role, and Suzanna Guzman stood out as the quarrelsome wife. But despite so much excellence on stage, one came out thinking,

RODNEY MILNES

Designs on our jobless

common the fact that they mostly blow west-east across the Atlantic, sometimes bringing fresh air and at other times leaving a trail of structural damage. The latest support for this contention came in File on 4 (Tuesday). Radio 4's long-running social trends programme.

This edition was about get-ting the unemployed back to work, and told a tale that suggests we are well down the road towards switching the main responsibility for jobless people from the public to the private sector.

About half the programme was spent explaining the status quo, including Project Work, a pilot scheme expand-ed by the Government yesterday. This involves long-term unemployed people being given a job for three months: refusal means loss of benefit. The scheme offers incidental

proof that government unem-

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ployment figures are as unreliable as the jobs market they supposedly illustrate: boasts about cuts in the long-term unemployed sound hollow when you consider that anyone involved in Project Work who goes back on the dole after three months becomes a new claimant, thus ceasing to be long-term unemployed.

Still, something has to be done about massive social security bills. America Works is a thriving company that employs the unemployed. The company pays jobless people the national minimum wage, thus taking them off the US welfare bill, and sets about finding them a job at above the minimum wage: America Works pockets the difference.

competing with the public , sector to find jobs for the unemployed. And the company is winning: four times as many people are found permanent jobs by America Works as are placed by the State.

File on 4 reported that managers from America Works have already met British politicians and the company is to visit the UK next week, raising the possibility that having already bought into our gas and electricity, the Americans might soon own our dole queues.

File on 4 is representative of the best of radio program-ming, information and analysis delivered in a no-nonsense style. Research claims that we remember only half of what we hear but nearly all of what we see, but I question that.

Surely radio delivers information more usefully than television, which requires the viewer to absorb words, faces, graphics and the rest. If only more people were listening.

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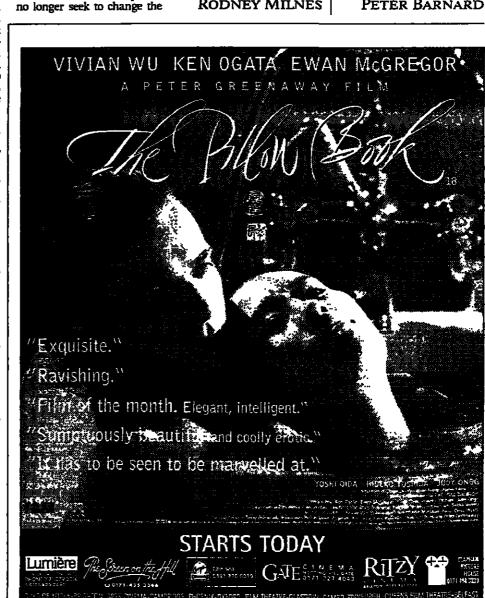
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Mr Justice Cresswell so stated in

a statement issued on October 30

concerning outstanding cases in the Lloyd's litigation in the

October S, 1996).

Where it was unclear whether

ing cases (No 2)

Lloyd's litigation: Outstand- Times October 8.

rule 2.10 to recoveries. The claim form, section 3(b). headed "ICS Declaration".

ICS agrees that the following claims shall not he treated as a third party claim for the purposes of this agreement and that the benefits of such claim shall enure to you absolutely:

Any claim (whether sounding in rescission for undue influence or therwise) that you have or may have against the ... building society in which you claim an abatement of sums which you would otherwise have to renay to that society in respect of sums borrowed by you from that society in connection with the transaction and dealings giving rise to the claim (including interest on any

In section 4, dealing with investor's agreement and acknowledgement (rights against participant firm), by paragraph 6, the investor assigned absolutely to ICS "each and every third party claim and the benefit thereof, and in paragraph (0 third party claim m any right, claim or cause of action have against any person other than the participant firm or against any fund or property in the hands of any person other than the participant firm and arising out of the circumstances giving rise to the claim or otherwise relating to the

Mr Justice Evans-Lombe had declared, on the preliminary I On the true construction of the

claim form, claims for: damages or equitable compensation for undue influence, and/or breach of assistance in

(ii) an account of sums owing investors and West Bromwich Building Society "after abatement tment in respect of the said damages and/or compensation made by those investors (a) had not been validly assigned to ICS and (b) could be pursued by those

primarily directed to all solicitors

cases where a trial date had been

set for 1997: Wellington (Long tail)

(January): Macmillan (February 3): Janson Green I (Long tail)

(April): King (April): Pulbrook 90

(Long tail) (June): Poland (Long tail) (June): Secretan (Long tail)

those cases should fax a copy of his

In each of the above cases a high

percentage of names had accepted

the recent market settlement. In

several of the cases it was not clear

what action the few plaintiffs who had not settled proposed to take. It

was obviously most important that such persons should be fully advised as to their position as to costs and generally, in the event of

their pursuing individual claims.

if it was clear that no plaintiffs in

particular case proposed to

continue with their claims, Fulbrook 90 appeared from corres-

pondence to be such a case, an

Solicitors for the plaintiffs in

had not been validly assigned. 3 Each investor was contractually obliged to account to ICS for the value of any recoveries whether by way of damages, equitable compensation, set-off, adjustment of the amounts due on the mort-

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gage upon rescission, damages in lieu of rescission or otherwise howsoever, made by that investor against any party resulting from the investor having entered into a home income plan scheme and in particular against West Bromwich Building Society, up to the total of the following the ICS recoupment:

(a) the amount of compensation paid by ICS to the investor, and (b) such amount in respect of interest on such compensation as the ICS considered just and (c) costs incurred by ICS in effecting or attempting to effect recovery for the investor's claims

arising from his entry into the 4 Each investor would hold any recoveries, whether by way of damages, equitable compensation. due upon rescission, damages in lieu of rescission or otherwise howsoever, made in respect of the

investor's claims on trust to pay the ICS recoupment to ICS. 5 If the answer to 3 or 4 above was

(a) the following was a term of the contract comprised in the claim form and obligations imposed on each of the investors by virtue of that trust: that the investors would conduct the investors' claims and any settlement negotiations in respect thereof reasonably and with due regard to ICS's interest:

contract, and/or an obligation imposed on each investor by the trust, that the investors were obliged to claim damages and/or equitable compensation in such proceedings and/or claims in prefrrence to or in lieu of rescission of their mortgages and/or mortgage

Mr Nicholas Strauss, QC and Mr Neil Kitchener for the Alford plaintiffs; Mr Nicholas Strauss. and Mr Jonathan

claims, his Lordship suggested

order in similar terms to the order

ons v Arthur Andersen and WMD

Underwriting Agencies Ltd (in

liquidation) (i) vacating the trial

date (ii) extending time for compli-

ance with any outstanding direc-

rions generally (iii) providing that

their claims they had to apply to

within a limited period of time (iv)

providing that if no application for

within the time stipulated the

(v) directing that the effect of the order should be communicated by

the plaintiffs' solicitors to all

plaintiffs who had not accepted the

If the parties could not agree

such an order, the parties, and in particular the defendants, should

apply to the court for directions as soon as practicable and if possible

action(s) be stayed, or dismiss

Outstanding cases in Lloyd's litigation

Mr Denis Brock, solicitor, and Mr Guy Morpuss for ICS: Mr David Oliver, QC. Mr Andrew Hochhauser and Mr Vernon Flynn for West Bromwich Build-OC and Mr Mark Cannon for Hookin & Sons, as representative of some defendant solicitors, and

for other defendant solicitors. LORD JUSTICE LEGGATT said that from an agreed state-ment of facts, not admitted by the building society or the solicitors, from October 1991 the ICS had received claims from investors. mostly elderly, who between 1989 and 1991 had entered into home income plans on the advice of independent financial advisors. lated by the Financial Intermed

Regulatory Association (Fimbra). The investors alleged that FPS, tract and statutory duty, failed to give them proper advice. FPS having become insolvent, the investors sought compensation from ICS under section 54(1) of the

aries. Managers and Brokers

1986 Act. Actions brought by ICS against the building society and the solic-itors were brought as assignees of investors pursuant to written assignments each investor had executed in one of two standard ICS compensation claim forms.

The investors, although they made assignments in favour of ICS, nevertheless pursued their own actions against the building society but not the solicitors alleging they had entered the scheme to obtain cash to spend as they wished, the scheme being designed to attract investors who had little income but significant

FPS advised them to take out from the building society one of three types of so-called equity release mortgages, under which the mortgagor borrowed a sum equivalent to up to 50 per cent of the value of the property. Interes payments were either rolled up or substantially deferred

No repayments were required

certain defendants, for example

the actuaries in Secreton. In such

cases application would have to be

made to the court for directions if

of any applications for further directions and Lloyd's should be

invited to attend where

trial date had been set for next year, parties in all other outstand-

ing group actions where no trial date had been set should consider

adopting a similar approach to that set out above.

Dog entitled

to benefit

of acquittal

Regina v Haringay Magis-trates' Court and Another, Ex

Before Lord. Justice Rose and Mr

Where there had been an acquittal on charges laid under section I of the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991, fresh proceedings under section 5(4) of the Act should be not be

brought in relation to the same dog in the same ownership.

parte Cragg

Justice Maurice Kay

[Judgment October 28]

Although this statement was

Notice should be given to Lloyd's

no agreement was arrived at.

appropriate.

rate. The solicitors acted for those taking out the mortgages.

Although the investors could use the proceeds of the mortgages as they wished, FPS's advice was to keep about 20 per cent of the advance and use the balance in discharge of any previous mort-gage and to buy investment bonds meet the repayments to the building society.

In most cases interest rates rose, homes declined in value, and the bonds performed poorly and were eventually sold at a loss.

A disciplinary committee of Firmbra found in March 1991 that FPS acted in breach of Fimbra's rules for failing to ensure their clients understood the risk of entering such a scheme, but FPS went into members volum liquidation and was dissolved in July 1993.

ICS, having declared FPS was in default under the rules, apprised investors of their right to claim compensation. Each investor completed a claim form which constituted a contract between the vestor and ICS.

His Lordship said that the judge had decided a similar case, Investors Compensation Scheme Ltd v Cheltenham and Gloucester pic (1996) 2 BCLC 165) in which he had concluded that the ordinary claim" in the second paragraph of "ali possible claims".

In that case he accepted also that his construction of section 3(b) substantially altered its drafting and was more appropriate to rectification than construction. He had abandoned the natural meaning on the ground that it would lead to a ridiculous commercial

The judge's preferred construction of the claim form was that the parties intended the scope of the exception upon the rights assigned to be confined to the claim to rescind and any consequential claim to reduce the amount due to the building society which would have to be repaid as part of restitution consequent upon

So far from recognising that such a construction did violence to the language of section 3(b), the judge concluded, on the latter three preliminary points, that the inves-tors were contractually obliged to account to ICS for the value of all recoveries, including those resulting from the consequential claims which fell within section 3(b).

Although he had held the parties intended to execute a statutory assignment of rights other than the right to rescind, and that such signment was not ultra vires, he concluded that the purported assignment was void since its effect arising from the same chose in

Mr Vos contended, inter alia: I That the judge was wrong to suggest that a cause of action or group of causes of action was all that was capable of amounting to a chose in action, and that what was assigned was not a chose, but only part of the remedies held prior to

2 That all the rights in all the investors' causes of action were assigned to ICS except rights to resossion and ancillary relief. The rights assigned, principally to damages, were supported in rela-tion to any cause of action in which a right was retained by part of that cause of action.

Looking, therefore, only at the cause of action for misrepresentachose in action, the right of action for damages, and what was left to the investor was also a chose in action, the right of action for

3 That there was no reason why an for misrepresentation should not take effect as a valid equitable assignment of a characteristic property of a characteristic proper assignment of the right to da assignment of a chose in action, or as a transfer under rule 2.10(1) of the 1990 Rules.

His Lordship said that the argument depended on showing that the words "any claim (whether sounding in rescission for undue influence or otherwise)" should be read or understood as though they read "any claim sounding in rescission (whether for undue in-

It was common ground that that was not the natural meaning of the words, and, in his Lordship's view. it was not an available meaning. There was simply no warrant for limiting the rights retained to claims for or consequent upon

Mr Vos even went so far as to argue the section should be con-strued against the investors on the contra proferentem principle. But, in his Lordship's view, that was a ambiguity, and if there were, no court would ever hold that a document brought into being by ICS to govern its relations with investors under home income plans should be construed against

The judge's construction that "any claim" meant "all possible claims" was not disputed. What remained in issue was the extent of any qualification introduced by the words "in which you claim an abatement . " In the present context abatement meant reduction. So any form of set-off would

Mr Strauss's primary argument was that the obvious inference was that investors with outstanding mortgage liabilities were intended to be left with all claims of any kind which they might have to reduce

It seemed to his Lordship that there was no proper basis for departing from the natural and meaning of the words used. Mr Vos contended that such ction failed to take account of the fact that the claim form made it appear that rights against all third parties intended to be assigned.

So they were. But what the investor retained were claims in which he claimed an abatement. building society that he would have chaims to set off.

Mr Vos also argued that such a construction made many of the ords of section 3(b) otiose, and that to gauge its intended effect one had to look at the claim form as a whole, which showed ICS throughout as the person suing.

His Lordship said that Mr Vps's construction would make the whole of section 3(b) otions. The words in brackets were not inconsistent with the natural meaning they merely specified for the avoidance of doubt a particular right retained. The claim form rided for the implementation by ICS of such powers as were assigned to them by the investors.

There was nothing ridiculous bout the commercial result. Many of those partially compensated would have outstanding liabilities to the building society against which they might wish to set off all such claims as they might have in reduction of those

A large number of investors did ursue individual claims against building societies. Their purpose in so doing, no doubt, would have included a wish to control the proceedings for themselves, including any settlement, and to avoid liability to ICS for interest

The judge did not seem to have appreciated that it was his adoption of a meaning other than the natural meaning of the words used that resulted in such a splitting of the remedies as he held rendered ignments void.

Mr Oliver submitted that the ignment contended for by Mr Vos attempted to divide the indivisible. Whatever else could be assigned, one remedy could not be signed while retaining a potentially alternative remedy. Since the purpose of section 3(b) was to procure a reduction in sums payble in respect of a mortgage, it was capable of constituting an

That was to be distinguished from cases like Wilson y United Counties Bank Ltd (1920) AC 102) where the House of Lords had held that there was no reason why two different heads of damage could not be treated as separate causes of action and so as separate choses in

independently of each other.
Those claims were, however, cumulative and not, like the claims sought to be assigned in the present case, alternative to other claims. His Lordship agreed that no assignment was in those

circumstances possible.
The 1990 Rules could not supply the missing power. Mr Vos reflect on rule 2.02, payment of compensation, as effecting an assignment to ICS of rights other than rights of and associated with

of paragraph (d) of that rule. That denoted an agreement into which the parties were competent to

it could not be contended that there was delegated to the secretary of state power to approbate some form of statutory assignment incidentally effected by an agree-ment of the kind for which rule 2.02 provided as one of the preconditions for the payment of compensation.

There was no express provision producing that result, and it would flour the considerations of public policy which invalidated an equi-

table assignment. Not even Mr Vos's presentathat his approach involved the fact that his approach involved the splitting of remedies. The effect of splitting the remedies available in spect of one cause of action, or set of facts, between two different plaintiffs gave rise to insuperable difficulties, because the remedies with which the investors and ICS were left were overlapping and

mutually inconsis Damages claimed by ICS would be computed by reference to each investor's outstanding mortgage liabilities, but if the investor sought to set aside the mortgage, he would claim to replace the interest rate charged by a lower rate fixed by the court. Yet the claim form provided no means. express or implied, for determing which party's remedies were to

rake preceder Because there was no such provision, his Lordship accepted Mr Strauss's argument that Mr Vos's construction also made the assignment void for uncertainty. The notion that that difficulty could be cured by excising section

3(b) could not be right.

That would result in the assignment to ICS of the very claims which by force of section 3(b) were intended to remain with the

To get over that difficulty. ICS argued for a term that the investors were bound to account to ICS for all recoveries; that argument prevailed with the judge and suited in his answer to the latter three preliminary issues.

But there was in truth no express term to support that conclusion, and no basis to imply such a term. for the obvious reason that as well as being unworkable it would be incompatible with section 3(b).

The effect of implying a term to give ICS precedence would be to deprive investors of the benefit of claims which by section 3(b) were

In his Lordship's indement the claim form should be construed on its ordinary and natural meaning. Lord Justice Swinton Thomas and Lord Justice Mummery

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before November 8, 1996. In the case of Wellington and Commercial Court of the Queen's anomoriate consent order should Bench Division. Macmillan, his Lordship directed HIS LORDSHIP said that the that any such application be made the fixed date. statement, made further to the If it was not clear whether any For completeness, his Lordship statement dated September 23 (The plaintiffs in a particular case Renewing your

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The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held in granting the application of Jeanette Cragg for judicial review and quashing an order for inter alia, the destruction of her dog made by a stipendiary magistrate sitting at Haringay Magistrates' Court on March 24, 1995. The dog. Kizzie, belonged to the applicant. The Crown Prosecution Service had brought a criminal

case against another person under section (2) but he was acquitted. The dog was returned to the applicant but was immediately reseized and a police officer then initiated proceedings, to be tried on the lower civil burden of proof, for an order for the destruction of the Section I of the 1991 Act provides:

(I) This section applies to — (a) any dog of the type known as the pit bull terrier... "(2) No person shall — ... (d) allow such a dog of which he is the owner or of which he is for the time being in charge to be in a public place without being muzzled and kept on a lead...

Section 5 provides: "(4) When ... it appears to a justice of the peace ... that no person has been or is to be prosecuted for an offence under this Act . . . he may order the destruction of the dog and shall do so if it is one to which section i

Mr Robin Allen, QC and Miss Pamela Rose for the applicant: Mr John McGuinness for the police. MR JUSTICE KAY said that if

the present applicant had been the defendant in the first proceedings then it was conceded that it would have been wrong to proceed against her under section 5(4). The second proceedings involved the same dog which had been in the same ownership throughout. In those circumstances it was wholly inappro-priate and wrong to take proceedings against the applicant and the application to the stipen-diary magistrate to stop the case should have succeeded. It was an abuse of process and should have been held so.

Lord Justice Rose agreed. Suficitors: J. Weinberg & Co. edgeware: Solicitor, Metropolitan

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O'Donnell thrown into turmoil of Jets' crash

The Christmas lights went up on Fifth Avenue yesterday, wound tightly round tree trunks, interwoven among branches, sparkling amid the home-bound headlights. It is a golden time here, in appearance and in outlook, a time when social commentators and sporting analysts are talking boldly about a "New York state of mind", a winners'

Most of it has been engendered by the Yankees' surprise triumph in the baseball World Series last week, but, for many of the other teams too, New York is a wonderful town again. The Rangers have Wayne Gretzky, the ice hockey icon, the Giants are looking as though they will make the National Football Conference play-offs after all and the Knicks could have their best basketball team for years.

There is just one catch, one team dragging the city down with its persistent mediocrity. The New York Jets, the laughing stock of the National Football League, have lost eight of their first nine games and are on target to equal the worst ratio losses to wins in a

On street corners across Manplaying a display T-shirts inbad movie sinuating that Jets stands for Just End The Season.

Last week a New York sports journalist was moved to write that the team's opponents had "done to the Jets what a baby does to a diaper". "Lost Cause", one of

the back pages screamed. One player sought an explanation for their fortunes by suggesting that they might be training on an Indian burial ground. "It's the Bermuda Triangle," another said. "It has moved 300 miles to the north and a couple of hundred miles to the west. I've never seen anything like it."

After one particularly devastating defeat, the coach, Rich Kotite, sent his players home to study video footage of the debacle. "It's like playing a bad movie over and over again." Lonnie Young, a safe-

ty, said. "The only thing is, we're forced to sit there and

Into this perennial chasm of darkness and despair, incredible though it may seem, the Jets had already lured one of the most highly-rated quarterbacks in the sport. Stranger still, it was not any ordinary team that Neil O'Donnell forsook at the end of last season but the Pittsburgh Steelers. whom he had just led to the Super Bowl: It was not even as if the Jets had not warned him of what might lie ahead: they won only three of 16 games in

Most said it was the money, that O'Donnell had left Pittsburgh because the Jets were offering him \$25

million (about £15.5 million) over five years, in excess of \$1 million a year more than the Steelers. agreed that no Jets quarterback had arrived with such a weight of expec-

tation on his shoulders since the flamboyant Joe Namath in the late 1960s.

He got a further taste of things to come in his first game when he was sacked eight times. By the end of the fourth game that had more than doubled to a total that exceeded the number of times he had been dropped by opposing defences throughout the whole of his previous season with the Steelers.

His confidence suffered because of his lack of protection and, after gaining a reputation in Pittsburgh for accurate, safe passing, he threw interceptions in four successive matches. In the sixth game against Oakland Randers, with the Jets' winless

Plaphol, of Thailand, and

Felix Casas, of the Philippines.

were some way off the pace

with scores of 146 and 147

to prove in the women's Aus-

trahan Open, which got under

way in Melbourne yesterday.

and she made an encouraging

start to her efforts to do just

that. Disqualified from the

tournament last year, Dibnah

compiled a five-under par 68 at Yarra Yarra to be tied for

the lead with another Austra-

the course record and gave

them a comfortable three-

stroke lead over two Ameri-

cans, Stephanie Martin-Cobb

and Katherine Golden, Debbi

Koyama, of Japan, Kathryn

Marshall, of Scotland, and

Susan Farron, of New Zea-

liams, a young amateur player from Queensland, were dis-

qualified in the event in 1995

for hitting each other's balls

Karrie Webb, who is keen

to add a big home victory to

overseas wins that include the

British Open last year and

three successes on the US

LPGA Tour this year, fin-

ished with a one-under par 72

to be four off the pace. Now

ranked No 4 in the world and

a contender to be the leading

money-winner in the United

States this year. Webb said

she was troubled by the slow

by mistake.

Dibnah and Simone Wil-

Their scores were a shot off

han, Mardi Lunn

Corinne Dibnah has a point

games, he was hit hard just after he had released a pass. He dislocated a shoulder.

He has been out of the team ever since, condemned to a purgatory of watching prac-tice from the sidelines at the team's training facility at Hoistra University on Long Island. He began throwing the ball again for the first time two days ago but, for the majority of the session yesterday, he stood in the midst of a small group of players watching the

on run through its drills. He will not be fit to face the soaring New England Patriots at Giants Stadium on Sunday but hopes to be involved the week after. The Jets have at least scored a solitary victory — over Arizona Cardinals — in his absence but the team's insecurities are still painfully evident in the Pythonesque idiosyncracies of Kotite, who has taken to refusing to allow spectators to sit down when they watch the team training.

Ó Donnell, a straightforward, home-loving man with a booming baritone voice who hails from New Jersey, where the Jets play their home

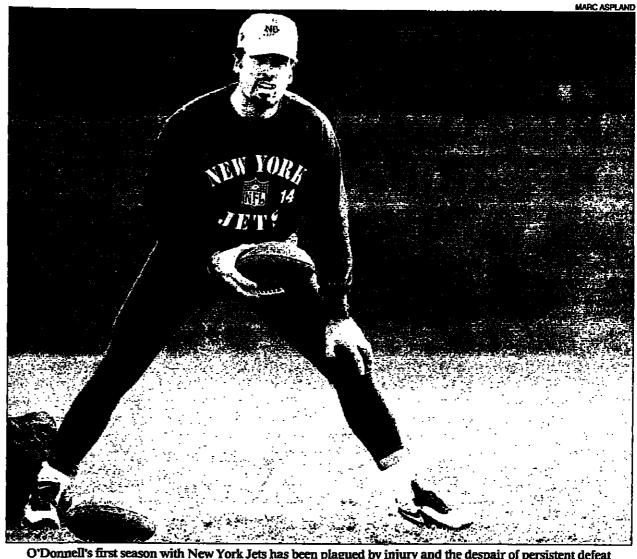
most of the criticism for the team's parlous performances and remains uncowed

The people who said I came here for the money were the ones who didn't want to put much thought to it and wanted to write a story real quick," he said. "I never thought we would be I-8 right now but I made a decision and I can't look back. I cannot secondguess myself.

"I have never been around losing like this and it has been very frustrating but, right back on the field and make some things happen. It is worse because when I got injured I thought things were starting to come together.

"Now we just have to go out and try and win a few games so we can come back next year on a positive note. I don't think anyone outside of here gives us a chance. They are all saying it is the same old Jets but I am looking at it in the long run, not just one season. First of all, we have to stop the bleeding."

OLIVER HOLT



O'Donnell's first season with New York Jets has been plagued by injury and the despair of persistent defeat

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answer the following question:

What is the number 6 on your

watch?' (Is it a numeral 6, a Roman

numeral, a dash, two dashes, a

In the Royal Marines you need

to pay attention to detail and

learn to take in even those

things which at first seem

A helicopter you were travelling

in has to make an emergency

landing on its way carrying out

a night mission behind enemy

lines. Once on the ground it's clear

that the helicopter is useless.

picked up by your own forces.

but risk having been seen by

triangle or what?)

unimportant.

He's trained to avoid hypothermia in the first place, by recognising and understanding the symptoms. Think you could cope?

In the absence of Arctic conditions, read through these questions. There aren't necessarily right or wrong answers, but then again it's pointless attempting them if you're not going to be completely honest. We need people, but they must be the right people.

In the middle of the night, police arrive and arrest you on suspicion of car theft. You are innocent.

a) Say so, refuse to go to the station. while losing your temper?

b) Ask them what they re on about and demand to talk to a superior? c). Agree to go to the station and help with enquiries, not largetting to phone a solicitor?

> There are eight of you with only enough food rations to last two days. What do you do? 1) Stay exactly where you are in the hope that you will be

> > the enemy?

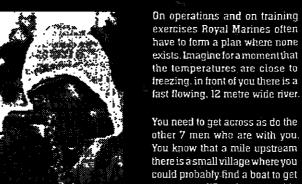


disrupted?

possible towards the nearest your location away to enemy forces in the area?

of objects. Can you say which one corresponds with which number even when the numbers are asked out of order?

 Position 4. Pegs Tent 5. Guy ropes



You need to get across as do the other 7 men who are with you. You know that a mile upstream there is a small village where you could probably find a boat to get you across. What do you decide

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2. Use your ropes to winch yourself

3. Ormake your way to the village to look for a boat?

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GOLF

Woosnam-shares long-haul lead

By Our Sports-Staff

IAN WOOSNAM returned a two-under-par 70 to share the second-round lead with Ernie Els in the eight-man Johnnie Walker Super Tour tournament that was launched in Taipei on Tuesday. The players flew to Seoul for the second round yesterday, with the third round following in Manila today and the final round in Bangkok on Sunday.

Woosnam made a shaky start on the 6,970-yard. par-72 Hanyang Country Club outside Seoul, with a bogey at the 2nd hole, but, under an overcast sky, he picked up three birdies on the back nine for a two-round total of 138. Els had two bogeys and three birdies for a oneunder-par 71. Park Nam-shin, of South Korea, was in third place with 139, with Colin Montgomerie and Lin Keng Chi. of Taiwan, a further shot adrift.

Vijay Singh, of Fiji, was sixth with 143, while Chawalit



greens and was unable to Woosnam: in front THE WEST TIMES RACING Call 0891 500 123 Call 0891 100 123 FOOTBALL Report and scores from the Nationwide League Call 6839 555 512





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Next a memory test. Study this list

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RUGBY UNION

Tuigamala to cap dual-code career on Samoa's wing

By David Hands, rugby correspondent

VA'AIGA TUIGAMALA, who has charted the waters of both codes in England since winning the last of his 19 rugby union caps for New Zealand, will make yet another landfall on Tuesday when he makes his first appearance for his native Western Samoa in a rugby union international.

Tuigamala, 27, will make a one-off appearance on the wing against Ireland at Lansdowne Road. He joins the touring party today, will watch the game against Munster in Cork tomorrow, and when the Samoans return to London on Wednesday, he will return to Wasps, for whom he has played all season as part of the lease-lend agreement involving several other Wigan rugby league

He played regularly for the All Blacks between 1991 and 1993 before signing professional forms in January 1994. As a rugby league player, he appeared in the World Cup for Western Samoa last year and is now in the happy position of being able to help his country in the other code. "We are not talking money here but sheer patriotism." Bryan Williams, the Samoa coach, said. "This is a hig plus for us.

'Inga' is a an icon in the islands and we are happy to have him for his professionalism and his ability." Tuigamala will be joined in the squad by Junior Paramore. the flanker who went to Castleford and is now playing for Bedford, their presence confirming Williams's assessment of Samoa's needs after so many of his leading players took up offers from rugby league, from Japanese clubs or New Zealand provinces.

Even on what is a development tour. English clubs have been in touch with Samoa players, Steve Bates and Dean Ryan, from Newcastle, attended their match with Oxford University on Tuesday, and Pat Lam, the Samoa captain, is only one of several players to have received offers.

"Several clubs from the UK have been in touch, but playing the British season is not a

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tional team," Williams said. However, Ireland's commitments, against the Samoans and then the A international against South Africa on Tuesday, have created problems for the first division league programme in England tomorrow.

Ireland started a five-day training camp in Limerick yesterday, and International Rugby Football Board requirements give preference to international duties. Accordingly, two more games -Harlequins versus Saracens and Bristol versus Leicester have been postponed. London Irish versus Wasps and Newcastle versus Rotherham had already been called off.

play international rugby, Tony Hallett, the Rugby Football Union (RFU) secretary, said. "The RFU approves the postponement of league matches if those clubs who have provided players so wish. However, Northampton's game with Bath will go ahead, even though Northampton will be without Jonathan Bell and Allan Clarke (Ireland). Gregor Townsend (Scotland), and Nick Beal and Craig Moir, who are rated

only 50-50 because of injuries. Bath surrender David Hilton and Eric Peters to Scotland, but offer what will be an all-England threequarter line of Adebayo, Guscott, de Gianville and Sleightholme. Jonathan Callard's continued absence from full back will give Mike Catt a further opportunity to practise his goalkicking, a duty he must

to their list of imports.

The most important issue was the players' aspirations to

now perform for England.
Of Ireland's first-team

squad of 21. only seven are not contracted to English clubs. and the drain across the trish Sea goes on. Moseley, who have signed Darragh O'Mahony, the wing capped from University College Dublin last year, and Henry Hurley, the Old Wesley prop. have also added Alain Rolland, the



Anglo-Welsh Cup looks fatally flawed

THE Anglo-Welsh Cup is surely a dead duck this season and at this stage it cannot be imagined that the idea will be pursued for very much longer. This is not because of the vast discrepancies in the scores that favour the English clubs ahead of their counterparts in Wales or the half-hearted nature with which it has been received, rather the concept

has been overtaken by events. However, having said that, I am sure that what with all the comings and goings this season and the very moveable positions each rugby spokesmen seems to take before breakfast and then shift immediately after swallowing the last morsel of toast, nothing can ever be taken for granted

nowadays. The problem is that it is difficult to imagine being able to fit everything into a season that, although long, is already far too congested. Something has to give. The Anglo-Welsh Cup may be the casualty. These matches have looked wan and under-nourished. so that they have failed to of what an Anglo-Welsh Both countries needed them. Heineken's hesitation when inextricable.

capture the public imagina-tion. Clubs do not field their full-strength sides.

The competition serves the

clubs only in the sense that it allows them to give other members in their squads, and not the best XV, an opportunity of playing in the first team. Those returning from injury, as Neil Back, of Leicester, did on Wednesday evening against Neath, can be rehabilitated into the first team once more. Furthermore, it represents a chance to judge the form of a new recruit as well as to prove whether a club's presumed strength in depth does actually exist. In this last sense, England's first division clubs are better equipped than

the Welsh clubs. Apart from the Llanelli versus Bath match that ended in a 10-10 draw and about which all those who are present still talk warmly, the fixtures have been eminently forgettable as testing contests. The match at Stradev Park that revived the tradition between the two clubs and the "rag doll" they

GERALD DAVIES



Rugby Commentary

future might hold. But it is a prospect that can no longer be

The evidence suggests that the competition is not taken seriously. The concept has been undermined and the

public short-changed. To turn the clock back so that the cross-border contests could once more be enjoined

exchanges did not involve the Scots and the Irish who also needed a fresh impetus: For the sake of the development of rugby generally in these islands this had to be taken into.

Such concerns are answered by the Heineken Cup, which makes the Anglo-Welsh Cup look parochial. The success of the European competition is now assured and is likely to be extended. This will be the target towards which all clubs and provinces will aim.

If the response among the public has been lukewarm this side of the channel so far, the mood in France is vibrant. Our views on the European ambivalent. Only with reluctance is it embraced. Admittedly, the French do on occasion turn a blind eye to the stricter definitions of the law.

It is quite likely that, ultimately, ITV, not the rugby authorities, will come to rue the day they walked away

By Raymond Keene

CHESS CORRESPONDENT

Coulsdon International

As part of the proliferation of

international standard events following the 1993 clash between

Garry Kasparov and Nigel Short, the Coulsdon International stands

as one of the more interesting innovations. It was a tournament

of category three, where inter-

King's Indian

White: Zita

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against unsuspecting opponents.

Match, Prague v Moscow 1946

The flaw in this in the new rugby world was that such on, they may find their loyalty to be amply rewarded.

If the Heineken Cup is going from strength to strength then the Anglo-Welsh Cup is redundant. Hencefor-ward, the clubs will meet in a wider world. It is, therefore, more streamlined domestic league competitions that will underpin it.

So far, new ideas such as the Heineken Cup and the Anglo-Weish Cup have been superimposed upon an existing structure. This is unsatisfactory. No one is sure from one week to the next which competition they are preparing to see. The season is a shapeless

be wise to start again with a clean sheet to determine the structure of the club and international season. Present at such meetings along with representatives from the unions and the clubs, should also be whoever wins the television contract.

Television cannot remain on the sidelines. Its interests a

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SPORT IN BRIEF

BBC win contract to cover Heineken Cup

BETTER late than never, English rugby union enthusiasts will receive a glimpse of the Heineken Cup on television from the quarter-finals onwards (David Hands writes). The BBC, whose regional programmers in Wales, Ulster and Scotland have already been showing Heineken Cup pool matches, have reached agreement with European Rugby Cup Ltd (ERC) to show the knockout stages, including live coverage of the final on January 25. After ITV withdrew from the tournament less than a fortnight before it began, ERC struggled to pick up the

However, the BBC's Rugby Special programme will be back on air and will, on November 17, include highlights of the previous day's games between Cardiff v Bath, Leicester v Harlequins and Dax v Toulouse, plus coverage of that day's game between Brive and Llanelli.

England on course

BOWLS: England and Ireland have virtually guaranteed their places in the quarter-finals of the Manulife Regent International Hong Kong Pairs Classic in Kowloon. However, Scotland and Wales face uphill struggles in their last four matches if they are to reach the last eight. Andy Wills and Smart Airey, of England, have lost only one match in seven while Jeremy Henry and Noel Graham, of Ireland, have won six of their first seven matches.

Pinsent's mystery tour

ROWING: Matthew Pinsent hopes to be in the Leander coxed four that competes in the Fuller's Fours Head tomorrow, Leander will start 355th, having asked for a low position because Pinsent, together with Steve Redgrave, has a luncheon appointment with the Lord Mayor in the City. A motorcycle taxi will reunite him with his crew mates, including Dan Harrison, the son of George, the former Beatle, at the Chiswick start.

Wellington foiled

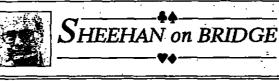
RACKETS: Tim Cockroft and Toby Sawrey-Cookson failed in their attempt to become the first Wellington pair to win the Noel Bruce Cup doubles competition for public school old boys, which is sponsored by Peel Hunt. They could not reproduce the thrilling form of their +2 semi-final win over Marlborough and went down 41 to Willie Boone and Mark Hue-Williams, of Eton. Steady rallies and fierce serving were the key to victory.

Bulls maintain charge

BASKETBALL: Chicago Bulls continued their unbeaten start to the National Basketball Association season with a 106-100 victory over Miami Heat on Wednesday. Michael Jordan scored 50 points and Dennis Rodman picked up 22 rebounds, the best total of the season. Jordan, who has scored 50 points against 18 teams, said: "I don't have to score 50 points every night for us to win but we didn't get the normal support from our bench."

Yewchuck ban cut

ICE HOCKEY: Marty Yewchuck, of Cardiff Devils, has had his record 21-match suspension reduced to nine matches by the sport's disciplinary body. Yewchuck was given a three-game ban after being ejected from a match at Nottingham Panthers last month for "excessive" roughing, a suspension that was later increased to nine and then, after an appeal, 21 matches, A £1,000 fine on Yewchuck was also cut to £60 yesterday.



By Robert Sheehan. Bridge correspondent

A few weeks ago when I was looking at leads against no-trump contracts I asked the question 'Should you be active or passive?' The same applies to suit contracts. You have to consider several

have your opponents stretched or do they have values to

can you reasonably expect partner to contribute many defensive tricks?

how do you think your cards lie in relation to those of declarer? If the opponents bid: 1 S-3 H-3 S-4 S, they have something to spare. This is the time to make an aggressive opening lead, perhaps the king from king doubleton for example. But say they bid: IS-2H-2S-3S-4S. Now they have a minimum opening bid facing a game invitation; they may well go down provided you do not give them a trick with your opening lead.

Consider the following hands after the sequence: IS-2C-2H-4H:

(i) +AQ1054 ¥843 +KJ5

(ii) ∳165 ▼Q83 •KJ63

On Hand (i) you have excellent defensive prospects: good spades over declarer's first bid suit; short clubs under dummy's first suit. It seems unlikely that declarer will make his contract unless he can do a lot of ruffing. Lead a trump to cut down ruffs, and a second trump when in with a spade. It is one of the few occasions when a trump looks best.

Hand (ii) is the complete opposite: bad spades over declarer. good clubs under dummy; lots of high-card points suggesting that partner will not be much help. The best chance is to lead a diamond. Maybe you can kick off with three tricks in the suit and later come to the queen of hearts.

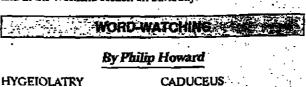
Try another sequence, IS-2C-3C-4S:

(M) <u>\$</u>872 ▼J873

Hand (iii) looks poor as there are few defensive prospects in the black suits. Best to attack with an aggressive jack of diamonds. Hand (iv) doesn't look so bad - at least trumps are 4-1 and you may make a club and a heart to go with a trick in partner's hand. So should you try a diamond again? No, listen to the bidding. How many clubs does partner have? Probably no more than one. If that is the case you can more or less guarantee the defeat of the contract by leading a club. You will get in with the ace of spades and give partner a club ruff, and then get back in with the ace of hearts to give him another club ruff.

You will have a chance to consolidate what you have learned about opening leads next week - the daily articles will be on that

☐ Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.



a. Excessive hand-washing b. Rabies c. Health fanaticism URTICANT

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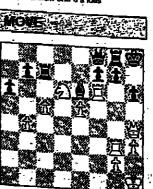
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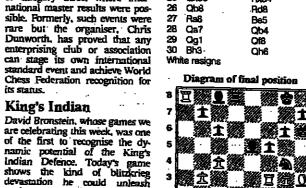
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Times book

King's Indian Defence The Times Winning Mayes 2 contains 240 chess puzzles from International Grandmaster Ray-mood Keene's daily column in The Times, and is available now from d8 . Nbd7 bookshops or from B. T. Batsford Ltd (tel: 01376 321276 at £6,99 plus postage and packing).

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By Raymond Keene White to play. This position is

Tyson keen to shed his wild image

FROM SRIKUMAR SEN, BOXING CORRESPONDENT IN LAS VEGAS

MIKE TYSON seems at last to have begun to appreciate how important it is for a sporting hero to set the right example to the youth of America. He came to this conclusion after much self-examination after his release from prison 18 months ago.

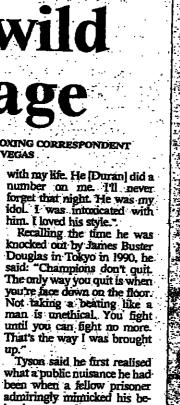
Perhaps because of some public relations advice or the realisation that he had a duty to promote his World Boxing Association heavyweight championship bout with Evander Holyfield here on Saturday, or both, he invited journalists to the pedimented mansion of Don King, his promoter, to convince them that his hell-raising days were

"I have to be an example for my kids," he said. "I have to stop them from doing what their father did. They may want to be rebellious like I was. I'd like to believe my wild behaviour was for environmental reasons. But I think it was just in me. I remember what the great Jackie Robinson la legendary baseball player said after his son got hooked on drugs: 'All the kids listen to me, except my own."

ີ່ໄດ້ແກ້ເbe a playboy arry more. My life is over. I have given up a lot of good times to accept what I have. Now I just training and think of my children. I'm not being rightcous but just trying to make sure my children are not screwed up. At 19 I was out of control.'

Tyson related how he had been devastated by the behav-iour of his boyhood hero, Roberto Duran, when he quit against Sugar Ray Leonard in the "No mas" [no more] welterweight championship in New Orleans in 1980.

'I was just a kid, 14," Tyson said. "I didn't know what to do



haviour to show what he would do to society when he left prison. He was appalled. "I said that's me? Man!" Listening to him talking about how domesticated he had become, even to the extent of changing his nine monthold daughter, Rayna's, nap-pies, you could not help wondering how much of this might be for the consumption

of the parole authority that restricts his movements outside Obio, where he lives. No doubt some of it is aimed in that direction but when he turned to politics you felt that this at least might be straight from the heart. His views were

certainly contrary to black political thinking. "My friends will kill me for this," he said shaking his head. "Welfare should be stopped." He regretted that as he is still under parole, he could not vote in the recent elections. He would have been happy to support the side that wanted to stop weitere. "As an ex-felon I

can't vote," he said. That's regrettable. It's only been in the last few years that I have been conscious of voting. People on welfare use it as a cretch. It takes away your



Tyson takes a breather during a training session on a punch bag in preparation for his title bout with Holyfield

dignity, pride and zest for the odds. You know. this is the first generation Tyson family that has been off welfare. For someone from my background who has been in prison, this is pretty

say to myself 'I can't believe I like doing this.' There has not been anything else I have been successful at. At \$30 million a pop, you can say I'm doing

Sometimes when I am in "It doesn't matter how much

my dressing-room before money I have now. Someone fight and I put on the gloves, I could come into this room right now and harass me if someone outside gets attacked. Because of my record they think I'm still capable of doing it again. To them you are just an ignorant negro, too dumb to do anything. But

when vou become a felon vou suddenly become smart, shifty and manipulative."

Tyson added that if ever he ended up broke, his children the has three. Jina 7, Lorna 6. and Rayna) would never suffer. A trust fund would take

SAILING

ISAF to give decision on 'super dinghies'

BY EDWARD GORMAN SAILING CORRESPONDENT

AFTER months of speculation, the council of the Inter-national Sailing Federation (ISAF) will today make up its mind on which Olympic class to dispense with to make way for the so-called high-performance dinghy.

The last step towards ensuring that one of the new generation of fast designs is included for the Sydney Games, was taken on Tuesday at the ISAF annual conterence in Brighton, when the council voted in favour of choosing one of the boats tested in Italy in September. The most likely selection is

the Julian Bethwaite-designed 49er, a two-person skiff with asymmetric spinnaker which combines a simple rig and sparkling per-

The contentious issue is which of the existing classes to drop to make way for it. In theory, anything could go. The most likely candidates, however, are the Star, the Finn or the Tornado. Another possibility is that the 470 might become an open class, whereas at present it is sailed in separate men and women's flects. The Star is vulnerable because it is old, expensive and sailed in numbers in relatively few countries, but it has a formidable lobby especially in the United States.

The Finn has a very strong and active supporters' club. It is one of three single-handed dinghies in Olympic sailing along with the Laser and the Europe, and thus could be dispensed with. It has, however. been a proving ground for some of the best sailors in Olympic competition.

The Tornado might go because it was the worst supported class at Savannah where only 19 boats entered, but it has the merit of being the only multihull in the Games fleet

After five days at sea. Pete Goss, of Britain, on Aqua Quorum, is in eighth place in the Vendee Globe non-stop single-handed round-theworld race. The leader on the way down the Portuguese coast is Yves Parlier, on Aquitaine Innovation.

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Doncaster adopt the winning mentality

BY ALEX RAMSAY

NOBODY has ever looked twice at Doncaster when it comes to predicting the contenders for the women's national hockey league championship. Over the years, they have earned a reputation as a nice little club, a friendly bunch with not a lot of money and not a lot of players — so when they put eight goals past the normally well-organised Hightown defence last Saturday, there was more than a little surprise expressed throughout the premier division. Little did anyone realise it was all part of the new Doncaster plan.

Since the beginning of the season, the squad has been directed by a new trio of advisers. Jane Perkins, a former Doncaster player, who coaching in tandem with Reuben Herbert, better known for his playing exploits with Shef-field, and Neil Roach, a sports psychologist who first heard of the club through his old friend, Herbert.

Gradually, Roach has convinced the team that while there may not be a huge list of international players lining up for selection, every player has her part to play in the team. His battle cry seems to be: "Don't panic."

"In the past, we would be quaking in our boots playing Hightown," Jo Clark, a mid field stalwart, said, "but Neil has been telling us to stop and think, not to panic and get rid of the ball. We beat Hightown in the Cup last year, so Neil told us to remember how we did that and repeat it - and

Now the trick will be to do it again on Saturday against second-placed Clifton, the only team to have held Slough to a draw this season. Unfortu-nately for Clark, she cannot

Just when it's all coming together, I've broken my hand and can't play for three weeks," time talking about what we were going to do against Hightown that we only had 25 minutes to warm up. But it worked, so I think we may start doing that for every match."

SPORTS LETTERS

Hoddle's act merits praise

From the Chair of the Penal Affairs Consortium

Sir. Glenn Hoddle's selection of Paul Gascoigne for the England football squad may be debatable, but his encouragement to Gascoigne to undertake counselling and reeducation deserves the

strongest support.

Research for the Home Office and Scottish Office has shown that intensive re-education programmes are far more successful than other ways of dealing with offenders convicted of domestic violence. One third of participants in such programmes commit another violent acr against their part-ner during a 12-month followup period compared with 75 per cent of those given other

Only time will tell whether counselling and re-education changes Gascoigne's behavtour. However, it is more likely to do so than the punitive responses which might have earned the England manager a better press. Yours faithfully

PAUL CAVADINO, Chair, Penal Affairs Consortium 169 Clapham Road, SW9.

Foot care crucial

From Mr J. H. D. Heath Sir, I was intrigued to read the article by John Goodhody about artificial playing surfaces and injuries sustained by players (Sport for All, Novem-

I am chairman of a hockey club that is engaged in installing its own artificial pitch and the one item on which the club is not prepared to compromise is the shock pad absorbency layer placed between the prich and the foundation below. It is clear from the article that a high-quainty shock pad is cruif injuries are to be avanded

You also make reference to appropriate footwear being worn. There is a player in the northwest of England, not a member of my club, who has

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Judgment must prevail in extreme weather

offshore races, including a

number of Fastnets, and hav-

ing left harbour in force nine

on passage to Iceland in a 40-

From Mr Peter F. Carter-Ruck Sir, I should like to express my disagreement with the views of Mr Julian Everitt's letter ("Yachting abandonments undermine safety", November 4). in my opinion, there are conditions where it is foolhardy to start an offshore race and, whilst one must be prepared for every weather condition at sea in the same way as approaching extreme weaher conditions in mountaineering. it would not be right to start an offshore race in a storm force ten or hurricane conditions any more than it would be right for a team leader to start a difficult climb in treacherous

There is a great deal of difference in facing a force ten or even worse conditions at sea when crew have settled down to their watches and are already prepared for worsening conditions. To start a race, however, in storm conditions is inviting trouble when, as is usual at the start of a race, all crew are on deck and have not

settled into watches. This is not timidity but sensibility, and I can speak with some experience, having skippered or crewed in over 50

been playing hockey at the highest level since the area obtained its first artificial pitch. I cannot imagine anybody in the land who has

> I recently asked him why he was not suffering from all the leg ailments that we hear so much about. His reply was that he wears cushioned soles within his all-weather footwear. He wears two pairs of socks, but more significantly than anything else he never allows his footwear to wear out. In a typical season he may buy three sets of all-weather

> has remained free of injury, playing on all-weather surfaces of varying types at the highest competitive level for over 15 years. Yours faithfully.

Tithebaru.

Little Heath Road,

played more on artificial pitch-

es than he has.

It may be expensive, but he JOHN HEATH.

footer with only one other crew, and when the mail boat stayed in the harbour. I would not have left if the conditions had been force ten or more. The Royal Ocean Racing Club of which I have been a member for over 40 years, has an outstanding record and I.

am sure it will not deflect from its responsibility of using its judgment in extreme weather conditions before the start of a

Yours faithfully, PETER F. CARTER-RUCK, 75 Shoe Lane, EC4.

From Mr James Wilkinson Sir, Mr Everitt advocates the principle that yacht races should not be cancelled or abandoned under any circumstances, as to do so removes the opportunity to practise in extreme conditions.

He cites in particular the decision of the Hamble River Sailing Club to cancel the third race of the Hamble Winter Series on Sunday, October 27. Unfortunately, while there is some truth in what he says, there are practicalities in organising yacht racing that cannot be

To start a race in the prevailing conditions (southresterly gale with gusts to 45 knots), as specified in the sailing instructions for the race, would have required anchoring the committee boat and two inflatable marks off a lee shore exposed to the full length of the Western Solent. I know that we could not have

on the deck of an anchored boat in the same condition. The responsibility for the safety of the committee boats lies with their skippers. They also have some say in the matter. There is also the problem of litigation to which Mr Everitt alludes. The problem is here to stay, and we have been given legal advice to the effect that

we do carry some responsi-

bility for sending competitors

to sea in totally unsuitable

The Royal Ocean Racing Club may not have been forced to abandon a race in 50

years, but I suggest they may have been forced occasionally

to delay the start until condi-

tions made it possible to do so.

The conditions required to

start a race from a committee

boat are very different from

those required to finish a race,

As organisers of the event,

we also have to take into

account the safety of the

committee boats and their

occupants. Sitting on the side

of a yacht making progress in

extreme conditions is a far

safer place to be than standing

or allow it to continue.

There is, of course, nothing to prevent Mr Everitt from going out to practise, or organising an impromptu race, in such conditions, as I and many others have done in the past when racing has been cancelled. I wonder if he did so on this occasion?

Yours faithfully JAMES WILKINSON, Race Director. Hamble Winter Series, Hamble River Sailing Club, The Ferry Hard, Hamble, Southampton, Hampshire.

Down the ladder

From the Secretary of Hamilton Academicals RFC Sir, Was it to spare further blushes to Harlequins that John Hopkins (report, November 4) did not mention that in addition to the three Caledonia Reds players from third and fourth (Premiership) division Scottish clubs, we - as the club of the Caledonia lock are actually in the seventh (National) division? Although we hope to remedy matters at the end of the ason, we are currently seven divisions below the Scottish Premiership fourth division.

Yours faithfully JOHN M. STIRLING. Secretary, Hamilton Academicals RFC, 63 Almada Street.

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Latin lesson provides spur for meeting with scribes

t's beginning to annoy me that noon; or of crowding on to a have to miss Football Focus packed train at Seven Sisters **L** every week. And there is a sentence I never thought I'd write. But it's frustrating. Lifelong football supporters keep telling me "You've got to watch Football Focus, you know; it's a ritual" but I'm always on a train somewhere on Saturday

lunchtimes, and can't. Last Saturday, heading for White Hart Lane (Spurs v West Ham). I made a cunning detour to the telly department of John Oxford Street, so that at 12.30 I could watch it. But of

course I could only whimper at the multiple soundless images of men, balls and greensward emanating from the tellies, and paw feebly at the glass. Football Focus is timed for

armchair supporters, I suppose: those luckless (or do I mean lucky?) people who don't know the thrill of the burger van on Tottenham High Road on a November afteragainst rough-looking adults curi-

ously emblazoned with Latin. Audere est facere it said on this bloke strap-hanging next to me, and I'll admit I gave him a pitying look, wondering why he was wearing a school blazer at the age of 40. But since it

turned out to be the Spurs coat of arms, I'm glad in retrospect that I didn't strike up a conversation on the wrong lines. Audere est facere means, I suppose, To dare is to do - a bit like the SAS motto, only without the ruthless emphasis on winning.

Anyway, a London derby is the real thing, and the only problem was that this week I had to sit in the press box, which was odd. Having always pictured the press box as a smoke-filled lounge enclosed by picture-windows where men in trilby hats bark excitedly into phones, the environment on Saturday was a letdown.

Well-situated beside the players' packed train at Seven Sisters tunnel, and with a good panoramic view of the pitch, it was otherwise the normal, cramped, draughty seating, but with little flip-down desktops, making it look a bit like a Sunday school in rural Africa. The tables serve a dual purpose, of course: they help when you are writing notes, and they also inhibit sudden upward movements, such as jumping up for a

> But nobody does jump up in the press box, of course, so it's all right. Even polite applause is frowned on. An invisible forcefield shields this little enclave from excitement, so that the job of reporting can be done without distraction. But Saturday's match was not, in any case, an affair to set reports aflame.

> West Ham made lots of brave and splendid charges, and their "little fella" Hugo Portirio was hailed with justified cheers. But though the game surged back and forth with considerable energy, the teams simply cancelled each other When Tottenham's

LYNNE TRUSS



Kicking and Screaming

Armstrong scored the only goal of the match, in the 68th minute, the chaps in the press box were naturally relieved (something to write about) but remained grumpy

What impresses me week after week at football matches is the tryfront like Trojans, but if nothing useful is achieved with it, they just turn on the spot and run off again

without sulking, which is odd.

I personally would sulk, wouldn't you? I personally would refuse to continue, until someone said 'sorry, mate, thanks for all that effort back there, can't apologise enough'. Nothing upsets me more than fruitless labour, yet fruitless labour is 95 per cent of a footballer's existence, and they really don't seem to mind.

In fact, watching a nil-scoring football team at work. I have decided, is like witnessing the miracle of a robot learning to feed itself with soup. Effort and ingenuity propel the muscles of its arm (hoorah), raise the elbow to the exact position (phew), swivel the forearm (smazing), and then tilt the wrist sharply (no!) at the last minute so that the soup shoots over its left shoulder, and the whole

process has to begin again.
I had a few daringly original

names and hairbands. No respectable Premiership team can do without hairbands any more, and a few South Americans at White Hart Lane would really pep things

up. I would gladly help pick some out, if a trip could be arranged. Obviously they need not go so mad in this respect as the Hammers. West Ham have clearly got over-excited buying foreign players, and their Eurocheque faciliry should be withdrawn at once, for their

own good. match from the press box were few, I would say, and were easily outweighed by the loss of contact with the crowd. Some sandwiches were served in a nasty room at half-time by some jolly women; afterwards, in the same room, the West Ham manager, Harry Redknapp, appeared before us a

Gould falls

victim

to Welsh

mood

of gloom

FROM RUSSELL KEMPSON

IN EINDHOVEN

try-again spirit on the pitch. Mid-fielders, wingers and playmakers keep delivering that ball to the front like Topicon but if nothing him these days) all red and peculiar like those of a martyr when the flames begin to lick.

"If anyone can tell me how we lost that match." Redknapp began, hopelessly. And then he stopped.

Either he has a very staccato manner of speech, or he was genuinely speechless. Coaxed by questions. he said the usual banal things: that his team had played well, but you couldn't argue with the score, cheers lads, and all that. The Tottenham manager.

The advantages of watching the Gerry Francis, was scheduled tu appear about an hour later, but I thought about waiting and con-cluded I had been delighted long enough. I suddenly remembered I could be at home reading Pride and Prejudice, so I made an executive decision to bunk off early. Audere est facere.

FOOTBALL

Liverpool reach breaking point with Collymore

THE future of Stan Collymore with Liverpool seems more uncertain than at any time in his eventful to months with the club. Out of the first team starting line-up, he was disciplined yesterday after refusing to play for the reserves on Wednesday night. There is increasing speculation that he will be allowed to leave Antield, most intriguingly in a

return to Nottingham Forest. Roy Evans, the Liverpool manager, wanted Collymore to play against Tranmere Rovers reserves, but was forced to name a replacement less than an hour before kickoff when Collymore failed to

Evans said initially that Collymore had rung in sick on er admitted that he had expected the striker to play. The episode is likely to mst Collymore a week's wages -

It appears that Evans has come to the end of his tether with the player that he signed for a then British record fee of £8.5 million from Forest in July last year. Collymore has refused to move from his home in Cannock, in the West sessions and, having failed to gel up front with Robbie Fowler, has lost his place to the Czech Republic international, Patrik Berger.

He upset his manager within five months of his arrival when he was quoted as saying that Evans had not discussed his role in the side during transfer negotiations. He felt that Liverpool were not playing to his strengths by taking too long to move the ball forward, rather overlooking the fact that the Anfield method had hardly been unsuccessful over the previous 25 years. In a magazine article. Collymore was reported as



Busst told leg injury has ended his career

DAVID BUSST, the Coventry City defender, has been told that his career is over less than a month after throwing away his crutches and beginning the swimming stage of his rehabilitation after suffering one of the most horrific injuries witnessed in football. Playing against Man-

chester United at Old Trafford on Easter Monday, his right shin bone snapped as his leg twisted underneath him when he converged on a loose ball with Peter Schmeichel, Denis Irwin and Brian McClair less than two minutes into the game. The moment was caputured by photographers in all of its detail but Busst has never seen the picture.

The incident is still clear in my head." he said. "I knew straight away that something was very wrong but when I looked down I could not see my leg because it was bent double beneath me."

Busst underwent 14 operations, including a number of skin grafts, and required pins and braces to hold the leg together. Until he visited a specialist this week, when he heard that the leg would never stand the rigours of competitive football again, he believed that his recovery was going to schedule.

Gordon Strachan, who succeeded Ron Atkinson as the Coventry manager three days ago, paid tribute to Busst, who came late into the professional game when he was signed from Moor Green, of the Southern League, in January 1992 and proceeded to make 50 League appearances.

"He was not the world's greatest footballer but he had one of the biggest hearts in the game," Strachan said. "He was one of the top people to coach because even at the age of 29 he wanted to become a better player. That is why this has come as a real blow."

saying: "I do not know of any other industry that would lay out £8.5 million on anything and then not have some plan from day one of how they are going to use it."

Any move, though, is unlikely to happen as quickly as the player and the club would like, because Liverpool will not allow him to leave until they can find a replacement and, indeed, a club willing to pay in excess of £6 million for a forward who is now labelled a troublemaker.

A return to Forest looks implausible. Collymore's departure went down so badly among supporters that, after Ground last March, he needed a police escort to get to the team bus. He also took the club to an FA Premier League board in an unsuccessful attempt to get five per cent of the transfer fee, claiming that Forest had instigated the

However, Frank Clark, the Forest manager, has never lost his admiration for Collymore as a player, nor adequately replaced him. He scored 41 goals in 65 league appearances, helping Forest to earn promotion from the first division and into third place in the Premiership in successive

Clark has dismissed any suggestion of a return by Collymore as "pure specula-tion", but, although unable to move in the transfer market at present, he will have around El0 million at his disposal should a proposed takeover of the club be completed next month. He may get Collymore for just over half of that.

Alternatively. Aston Villa, the club Collymore supported as a child, would be in a position to act if the protracted sale of Savo Milosevic to Perugia, in Italy, finally goes through. It is also worth remembering that Alex Ferguson tried to bring Collymore to Manchester United before he signed Andy Cole in January

Evans has frequently en-quired about Emile Heskey, the promising Leicester City forward, as a possible replacement, but has so far been rebuffed. If he is ultimately successful in his quest Collymore will be allowed to leave - but he is likely to suffer a winter of discontent

last year.



Roberts plots happy return

Non-League Football by Walter Gammie

GRAHAM ROBERTS takes Yeovil Town back to play Enfield, his former club, at Southbury Road tomorrow as leaders of the Icis League but with Enfield, four points behind in third place and having played a match more, snapping eagerly at their heels.

Roberts said: "Last season, we went there eight points behind and had to win. This time they have got to beat us. so the pressure is more on them. The one thing we won't do is underestimate them,"

The encounter last season was a rumultuous affair, Yeovil levelling at 1-1 late in the match only for Enfield to score a winner after an ocean of injury time. Enfield went on this season with more experito complete the double with a 1-0 win at Huish Park on the last day of the season, but still lost out on the title to Hayes, who clinched it on goal difference.

"They're a good club," Rob-erts said. The manager [George Borg] was my assistant when I was there and has done very well. There will be a big crowd and I am sure both sides will go out to attack."

Yeovil's start to last season was hampered by injuries and Roberts was forced to rely on youngsters. "It was not ideal: young players can be kicked to bits in this league," he said. He has reinforced his squad enced recruits, including Rob Cousins and Jerry Gill, the former Bath City players, Lee Harvey, from Slough Town, and Tony Pounder and Chris Moore, released by Hereford United and West Ham United respectively.

Roberts, the player, remains in the thick of things at the age of 37. "I'll stop the moment I don't enjoy it." he said. "I keep myself pretty fit and I think that when players see what I'm prepared to put in, they respond. When we lost at Dulwich, I didn't have a good game and dropped myself for the next one and I think they responded to that too."

SNOOKER

BOBBY GOULD, the Wales manager, is a bubbly, optimistic character, usually radiating energy and enthusism from every pore. It is an attitude that has served him well throughout his manageri-

al career and one that, only rarely, has deserted him: However, on the eve of Wales's World Cup qualifying group seven match against Holland here in Eindhoven tomorrow, Gould is distinctly downbeat - not so much because of the way his squad's preparations have been disrupted, or because of the mammoth task that lies ahead, but because he senses a strange mood among his

Wales have spent three days utilising the superb training facilities of PSV Eindhoven, the Dutch league leaders, but it has done little to alleviate the air of uncertainty that appears to have enveloped them. "I can't really put my finger on it, but things have not flowed as they should have done,"

Gould said yesterday. "Perhaps it's because we haven't had the continuity we've had before. I pride myself in things running smoothly, but it hasn't been like that this time. It's all been

a bit higgledy-piggledy.

"Maybe I'm sounding very negative, and I don't like to be that way, but it's something I feel. There's no point in putting a smokescreen over it: I'm just being totally honest." Having been beaten 3-1 by Holland in Cardiff last month

only the athleticism of Neville Southall, the goalkeeper, prevented a heavier defeat - Wales are entitled to be concerned about the fate that awaits them. They are also without players of the calibre of Coleman, Giggs, Hughes, Horne and Rush, which partly explains the unsettled atmosphere that Gould has felt so vividly.

He is a battler, though, and expects nothing less from his players tomorrow. He will delay announcing his side until the last moment — "I don't want Holland to know where we are coming from," he said - and expects a display of passion and com-mitment, even if it should ultimately end in disappoint-

Who knows what might happen?" he said, in a sudden surge of optimism. The Dutch have at least got to know they have been in a game. That's all I ask."

Higgins hits form right on cue for Scotland

FROM PHIL YATES

SCOTLAND joined England and the Republic of Ireland in the semi-finals of the World Cup with a 10-6 victory over Northern Ireland here last

The tournament favourites. who started the match at 5-1 on to defeat the Ulster trio of Dennis Taylor, Joe Swail and Terry Murphy, were indebted to John Higgins, the world No 2, for securing their place in the penultimate round of

the 20-nation competition. Higgins had failed to win a frame in a patchy opening session as Stephen Hendry. the six-times world champion, and Alan McManus helped Scotland to a 5-3 lead. Higgins's poor run of form transferred itself to McManus when the second session resumed-and the world No6 s from Glasgow failed to add to his earlier three frame

victories. Leading 6-3, the Scots then suffered an unexpected attack of the litters, with Hendry losing on the black to Murphy, the left-handed world No 36, and McManus falling to Taylor, the 1985 world champion. Cometh the hour, cometh the man, with Higgins almost single-handedly helping his compatriots

through to the last four. He made a break of 76 to prevent Swail obtaining parity for Northern Ireland at 7-7, and then he went on to compile frame-winning runs of 84 and 73. His third successive half-century break defeated Murphy and ended the contest. With greater application, Higgins could easily have turned his 73 into a 147 break. However, he "thinned" the tenth black with the balls invitingly in position to compile a maximum.

MAHX

"The main thing is we qualified for the semi-finals. even though I knew the maximum was on as soon as I reached 40," Higgins said.
His failure deprived him of a car worth £40,000, supplied by the sponsors.

"We might let John have a beer tonight," Hendry, who has been quite happy to take a back seat during the tournament, said. "That's probably the best we've played as a team in the competition. Now, we'd love to play Thailand in the semi-finals in front of a packed house, and then England in the final." Thailand's hopes of pro-

gressing were dented as Wales recovered from 6-4 down to level the match at 8-8.

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STOCKHOLLIK: Men's tournament: Pirst round: Termist (See) bt M Charles (Plues) 5-6. 1. 6-1. T Johansson (Swe) bt F Donalif (Be) 8-3. 6-1. M Norman (Swe) bt A Razulesou (Ge) 7-5. 4-6. 6-4

CARGAND. Californie: Women's tournament: Second round: B Schulz-Mc-Carliny (Holl) bt R Zrutostova (Sovalida 6-2.

6-1. 6-4. M Selee (US) bt P Hy-Bouldas (Can) 6-1. 6-4. L Wild (US) bt P Surface (US) 6-1. 6-4. L Wild (US) bt P Surface (US) 6-3. 6-1.

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BANGKOK: Castrol-Honda World Cup: Ouerter-finels: England bt Australia 10-5. Iraland bt Canada 10-6.

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RACING: WAKEHAM ENLISTS LADBROKES' CHIEF EXECUTIVE TO NEWLY-FORMED GROUP

Bookmaker given advisory role

By JULIAN MUSCAT

A LEADING representative of the bookmaking industry was vesterday given one of four places on the newly-formed Horseracing Advisory Group (HAG), which is to communicate informally with the Home Secretary on issues of concern to both sides.

Peter George, chief executive of Ladbrokes, has accepted an invitation from Lord Wakeham, chairman of the iritish Horseracing Board (BHB), to join the group. With bookmakers not represented on the BHB. George's ap-pointment marks the first time racing has enlisted bookmaking interests within one of its front-line organisations.

George's nomination alongside Lord Hartington, Sir Paul Fox and Sir Thomas Pilkington - emphasises the BHB's determination to forge closer and more meaningful links with the betting industry. Government has frequently criticised the two entities for

failing to work together. Al-though both industries have been financially hit by the National Lottery, neither can expect further long-term concessions from government without addressing their own

relationship.

"Racing and betting are interlinked in respect of funding," Tristram Ricketts, chief executive of the BHB, said yesterday. Lord Wakeham took the view that his group would be considerably less effective without bookmaker input. Peter George's membership is very important. He has a deep knowledge of the bening industry and a broader interest outside it."

George aside, the other three HAG members are, or were, members of the BHB. This is bound to rankle with owners and trainers critical of the BHB - particularly its failure to address the lack of prize-money in British racing. But Ricketts mounted a robust defence of the group. It is of licencing and discipline important to recognise that The inclusion of Sir Thomas

sonal," he said.

"This is John Wakeham's initiative with the Home Secretary, who accepted the pro-posals. It is the way he felt the group would operate most effectively in its formative stages." Ricketts added that the four men were all first choices of Wakeham, who

Nap: KAISER KACHE (3.30 Doncaster) Next best: Soviet State (1.30 Doncaster)

therefore has precisely the personnel he envisaged. Although the group has a wealth of experience, Wake-ham's preferred candidates leave something to be desired. The formation of the BHB essentially restricted the Jockey Club's role in racing to one

these appointments are per- Pilkington, the club's senior steward, could be interpreted as a sup to an organisation, some of whose members still begrudge the BHB's advent.

Let it not be forgotten, too, that George's employer, Ladbrokes, is an influential member of the Betting Office Licensees' Association, which is in conflict with the BHB over the distribution of any tax concession announced in the Budget later this month. The association has pledged that, should the Chancelior reduce betting tax by 1.25 per cent, it will pass on a 1.5 per cent deduction to punters.

This pledge, if granted by government, will leave no scope for racing's coffers to benefit directly through the levy, as happened when betting tax was reduced in March. It also portrays bookmakers as a source of self-help. Yet the initiative will hardly cost them; they already over-recover funds from punters' deductions.

As for Lord Harrington, his

circles is secure. His vision underpinned the BHB's creation but he has since moved on from establishing the BHB to become deputy chairman of Sotheby's Holdings Inc. The "great racing debate" has also moved on. Many British owners are cutting back or getting out. Rather than dwelling on the past, fresh talent must be found to replace Hartington.

The group's composition will do little to bridge the unhealthy chasm developing between racing's administrators and its professionals. One man whose presence would have greatly benefited the group is John Gosden, the Newmarket trainer.

He was recently appointed to the board of the Racehorse Owners' Association — effectively as the Maktoums' representative. Gosden would have been more than capable of accentuating racing's prob-lems which lie beneath the gloss of wholescale Maktoum participation in British racing.



Wakeham believes that bookmaker input will be beneficial to his advisory group

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2.30 Highland Gift 3.00 EXPRESS GIRL (nap) 3.30 Kaiser Kache

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.00 DAAWE. Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.00 Pottarf. 3.00 Royal Blackbird. 3.30 BOLD DEMAND (nap).

GOING: SOFT TOTE JACKPOT MEETING

DRAW: 5F-7F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

1.00 EUROPEAN BREEDERS FUND DRANSFIELD HOVELTY COMPANY MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £4,534: 7f) (20 runners)

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1.30 EUROPEAN BREEDERS FUND GIBSON BOOTH MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-0; £3,979; 6f) (18 runners)

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2.00 COAL PHODUCTS GROUP CONDITIONS STAKES (£4,940: 1m & 132ml) (5 numers) 207 (1) 0-27200 PROSSAM BLIE 69 (D.F.S) & Mininopoulosi H Czcil 4-9-7 W Byan 93 302 '45) 10-1620 FURTHER FLIGHT 34 (CD.F.S.S) (5 Waglield Digby) B 1885 10-9-5 M Hills 98 303 (2) 32-8036 FOLTREF 34 (D.F.S) (Salath Midwarmed) J Gosten 5-9-0 L Destori (5-304 (4) 53-1130 PREFILE SPLASH 7 (V.D.S.S) (C Washing) P Makin 6-9-0 A Clast, 86 305 (2) 0 PATIALA 15 (Wyst Hall Stud) R Armstrong 3-8-1 G Carter 8 BLT 1885 7-4 Public, 5-2 Pression Blue, 3-1 Further Flight, 7-2 Purple Splash, 33-1 Patrile.

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2.30 R J B MINING FILLIES CONDITIONS STAKES

(£4,976: 1m 2f 60yd) (9 nunners)

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3.00 AMCO CORPORATION PLC NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £3,490: 57) (14 numbers)

501	(B)	316	SALTY BEHAVIOUR 11 (F) (J Stennon) R Hannon 9-7 Dane O'Neill	85
502	(2)		MYRMADON 35 (I Principlen) / Dunlop 9-2 L Destori	90
503	(11).	134305	SOUS LE NEZ 7 (CD.F) (A Davies) R Guest 9-2	90
5 04	(5)	414060	NOMBORE MR NICEGUY 44 (D,G) (Mrs. C McFhail) E Asson 9-1 J Fosture	84
505	(9)	115503	DOPRESS GERIL 21 (D,5) (P Altey) D Modati 8-13 Darren Modati (3)	95
50G	m	004	MUNICO PARK 20 (Mrs H Carr) Mrs J Remeden 8-11 K Fallon	87
507	(3)	050010	SARASI 9 (D,G) (2 Galactari) J Pearce 8-5	95
508	(6)	004	WARSPER LOW 85 (D Love) R Hollinshead 8-5 F Lynch (3)	87
509	(34)		REGAL EDUITY 9 (A Helaissi) B Meetan 8-4	91
51Q	(4)		AGUA 10 (8) (V Wade) C Booth 8-1 L Charnock	84
511	(12)		MOLLY DRUMMOND 21 (B.D.S) (R Hughts) W Elsey 7-12 P Fessey (5)	86
112	(13)		ROYAL BLACKSIRD 9 (0,6). (E Carter) J Banks 7-12 R Mullen (7)	3
513		. 335-62	MOLLY MUSIC 48 (B) (P Annu & Margason 7-10,	87
514	(1)	JUU303	WELLIAM'S WELL 10 (8) (K Redigson) & W Easterby 7-10" Martin Dwyer (5)	90

1995: POLLY GOLIGHTLY 9-0 R Cochrane (7-1) B Smart 11 rate

FORM FOCUS

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3.30 CO-OPERATIVE BANK PLC CONDITIONS STAKES

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218001 KAISER KACHE 13 (F.S) (P Bardsy) K McAuffle B-11.

BUG-IT MIRAGE 17 (6 Moddsbrook) M Joneston 8-6.

CATHES FLOWER (8) (1 Devine) J A Harts B-3. BETTING: 2-1 Bold Demand, 9-4 Cateries, 5-2 Surbeam Dance, 4-1 Maker Kache, 16-1 Majht Mirage, 25-1 Cathies Romer

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2	(2)	322210	GONE SAVAGE 16 (D,BF,F,G,S) (Square Table) W Muscon 8-9-10 J Stack	92
3	(4)	600004	LADY SHERIFF 3 (D.F.G.) (E Mangan) Fl Hollanshead 5-9-9 [, Detton	90
4	(21)	203063	SPENDER 20 (D.F.G) (Entrepreneurs) P Harns 7-9-8	91
5	(8)	300043	SPLICING 3 (0,8F,6) (T Hisschleid) W Hagge: 3-9-7 F Lynch (3)	93
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9	(9)	512064	BRECONGILL LAD 38 (D.F.G.) (Times Horse Stores) Miss S Hall 4-9-2: A Cultiane	91
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11	(17)	406430	CHEMICAST 79 (D.F.E.) (Claylon Bigley) J Eyre 3-9-2 R Lappor	86
12	(19)	600636	CHADWELL HALL 20 (B,D,F,6.S) (D Bowning) S Bowning 5-8-13 C Teague (3)	93
13	(3)	005133	WALK THE BEAT 15 (D.F.G.S) (Country Life) M Meade 6-8-12 D Sweeney (7)	90
14	(13)		HIGH DOMAIN 17 (D,G,S) (5 Borsberry) J Spearing 5-8-12 J Weaver	95
15	(30)	0-00602	MBNEACRES 14 (V.D.F.G.) (Mrs P Wallel) M Babbage 5-8-10 R Firench (7)	89
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20	(16)	022620	PERFECT BRAVE 131 (F) (G Ashton) J Baktron 5-8-5 N Gartiste	89
21	(TB)	152060	10HAYRO 30 (D.F.) (D. Barron) J. Goldae 3-5-3	95
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FORM FOCUS

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THUNDERER 1.20 Willie Sparkie. 1.50 Beggers Banquet. 2.20 Deise Marshell. 2.50 Belle Rose. 3.20 Abbeylands.

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1.20 SERVICE WELDING GROUP CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP CHASE . 2,346 2m 4l 110yd) (6 runners)

1:4. LE DETECTUR 189 (F.S) C Parks 8-12-0 D Parker (S)
5-22 (ANTY CHAPLAM 14 (D.F.R.S.) D McCan 10-71-10. D Walsh
5-14 TRUMPET 14 (V.C.) J C Sice 7-11-6 Michael Season (A)
5-15 (PARWARD GLER 24 (B.D.) P Constructor 9-13-0 A Wals (S)
5-15 (PARWARD GLER 24 (B.D.) P Constructor 9-13-0 G Can
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2 -524 COMMANDER 7 (5) Mics M Milison 6-11-5 ... A Dobbin
3 4:23 DESE MARSHAL 23 (8F) J Wade 6-11-5 ... K Jose
4 2:4 CEMS LUD 13 Ms 5 Seala 9-11-5 ... R Jose
5 -944 MORE 207 27 8 Elison 8-11-6 ... R Geala (3)
6 PANTIABA FRANCE 25/H J Lomiton 7-11-5 ... W Milisonato
7 2-52 ROYAL SURPINSE 27 (5) W Red 9-11-5 ... K Johnson
9 00-8 ALLEKTON LAD 12 Miss J Bown 5-11-3 ... K Johnson
9 00-8 ALLEKTON LAD 12 Miss J Bown 5-11-3 ... T Describe (3) 11-10 Desse Miterbell, 5-1 Genes Lad, 6-1 Royal Surprise, 7-1 Parkers Prisce, 8-1 More Joy, 10-1 Commandeer, 25-1 others.

2.50 BUILDING MAINTENANCE COMPANY SELLING HANDICAP HUNDLE (£1,725: 2m 4f 110vd) (12)

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4	03-0	SIEMOR MORTONE 13 D Wallars 4-11-1 B Hardin
5	SP-1	BBLE ROSE 12 (0.5) & Bichards 5-11-1 A Dobbi
5	SPP-	CHANNEY'S SAGA 188 (D.P. L. 12000 6-10-10 M. Fost
7	F45-	CIRCLE BOY 235 W Storey 9-10-9 R McGrato R
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9	60-0	#CKTNをBILL 8 J Warte 5-10-0
. 10	90PO	KALIOSTAR 13 S Campage 6-10-0
11	BOF-	MEADONS ECX, 164 W Young 7-10-0
12	P 03	CATTON LADY 8 R Cappa 5-10-0
6-4 Br	ille Roc	, 5-1 Autoriciero, 5-1 Circle Boy, 8-1 Signor Hortone, Papa's Bo
Charac	- 1 Se	at 14-1 Mich The Bill, 20-1 others.

3.20 JOHN EUSTACE SMITH TROPHY NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (52,655; 2m 110yd) (11)

1 201 BALLYLINE 12 (D.E) W Ramp 5-11-10 T Read
2 PP22 SERRE DE MARS 74 Mars 2 Green 5-11-5 B Starry
3 4P-3 CHEEKS 9 C Scola 7-11-5 B Starry
3 4P-3 CHEEKS 9 C Scola 7-11-5 B Starry
4 1031 BRBEYLAMDS 150 (F) H Monard Johnson 8-11-5 N Williamson
5 71U SHOW WILR HAND 12 (BF.F) L Lamps 8-11-4 A Dobble
6 0-73 SLAMPERASET 38 G Rectards 5-11-4 A Dobble
7 - 335- MANNAY 155 (S) M Barros 6-11-2 K Johnson
8 P-42 HAZEL CREST 12 (F) M Snewrby 9-10-10 D Parker
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2.50 (2m 5t 110)/d hdle) 1, Lochnagrain (P Niven, 9-2); 2, Singlesole (9-2); 3, Keen To The Last (9-4 fev). 7 ran NR Prize Match

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

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3.20 (2m 1f 110vd hdie) 1, Alabang (J. Osborne, 6-4 tav, Richard Evans's nap), 2, Shared Risk (12-1), 3, North Bear (9-1), 12 ran NR (Sinamartyra Gal) 91, 11-11 M Camacho, Tote, 52 20, 57 50, 53 30, 52 10 DF: 514 40 Trio 554 00 CSF 201 06 2.1 90 3.50 (3m 1f ch) 1, Griffins Bar (R Marley, 12-1); 2, Weshwell Boy (5-1), 3, Jrn Valergne (2-1 tay) 10 ran 3 ½, 31 Mrs P Sty Toter £20 70; £4 80, £2.00, £1 30 DF-£44 10 Trio: £77 00 CSF: £71 22 Tricast £161.47

Lingfield Park

Placepot: £119.90.

12.30 (5) 1. Ramsey Hope (J Red. 13-2), 2. Another Batchworth (6-4 tav); 3. Napter Star (9-1): 10 ram. 1 vl. 1) C Fairhurst Tote 9/20; 62 70, 6: 10, 62 10 OF: 90 Tot C18 80 CSF: \$15.82 Tricast: \$81.37 1.00 (7) 1, Lancashire Legend (A Daiy, 10-1); 2, Woodbury Led (4-6 lav); 3, Bahraky (10-1) 8 rair 3, 3+1 5 Dow Tote; 28.80; 51 90; 51 00; 22 60 DF \$6 00 Tho \$10 90 CSF; \$216 67 2.00 (5) 1, Fruitana (P Roberts, 11-2), 2, Miculian Lad (9-4 lav), 3, Melbourne Princess (16-1) 10 ram 11, 12-1 J Berry Tote: 05-10, 53-0, 51-10, 53-40 DF 511-10 Timo: 5124-40 (part work pool of 23 50 carmed forward to 4-00 at Doricaster today), CSF: £17-82, Tricast: £174-08

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3.00 (7) 1. Smithereens (F. Ctunn, 7-1), 2. The Fugative (9-2), 3. Datey Bates (3-1) Bebzan 2-1 fav. 8 ran 9, 54, P. Walwyn Tole, £550, £250, £190, £110 DF £11.50, CSF £35.81

3.30 (7) 1. Mr Nevermind (S Whitworth, 10-1), 2. Kings Harmony (16-1), 3. Perious Plight (12-1), 4. Enton (5-1) My Qatery 9-2 tev 16 ran Nk, 1/8 G L Moore Tote 58 50, £1 50, £2 20, £2 70, £1 50 OF £49 10. Tho £105.60 CSF £158.72. Tricast £1.881 25

4.00 (1m 2): 1. Arzani (Miss E Johnson Houghton 25-1), 2. Alistars Express (7-1), 3. Father Dan (5-1) Mister O'Grady 5-2 lav 12 ran. NR: Rensia 9 Prince, WalterSay, Hd 21 D Cosprove Tota 540 40, 65-50, 62.80, 62-40 DF (595-60 Ton 5146-60 Institute and ALTA 33 considerated to search (part wort, pool of £70,31 carned loward to 4 00 at Doncaster loday) CSF £177.37 Tricast, £944.22. Placepot £19.90.

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Sussex in crisis as Wells joins exodus

CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

SUSSEX cricket, blessed with a history of colourful characters and a time-warp atmosphere that is at once maddening yet engaging, has always commanded affection way beyond the county boundaries. Such loyalties may soon be stretched beyond endurance, for the club is approaching turmoil, its team on the point of breaking up.

Stoical county officials remain publicly implacable, but even they must recognise that there are fires blazing around them. The abrupt dismissal, last week, of Alan Wells as captain was evidently designed to placate disaffected players, but, so far, it appears

to have had no such effect. Danny Law, arguably the most gifted young all-rounder in the country, is preparing to join Essex despite the pleas of Chris Waller, the Sussex coach, who has flown to Australia to see him. Ian Salisbury, the only English leg spinner worthy of the description, is heading for Surrey and

Martin Speight, whose rare batting ability is decaying at Hove, has only been stalled in a return to Durham, where he went to university, by the belated offer of a new contract.

Now Wells, a genuine Sussex man scorned, has sought permission to terminate his contract and take offers from elsewhere. He will not go short. "I have written to the club asking for their consent," he said. "It would come as a wrench to leave and it is something I had never imagined doing. But it might be for the best. I've got five years' cricket left in me and things would be difficult all round if I stayed."

Wells plainly feels compromised, having received a personal assurance of backing from Desmond Haynes, the cricket manager. "Something happened to make Dessie change his mind," Wells said. "I don't know what. I'm still waiting to hear from him." Wells refuses to believe that it was his leadership which was driving other players away, and the ongoing tensions seem to vindicate him.



Wells (left) and Salisbury: looking to quit troubled Hove

with talent. They have won nothing for ten years and, last season, finished twelfth in the championship. Now, having already jettisoned Ed Giddins, they risk losing almost half a team - the accomplished half - before next season begins. Small wonder that in a rare concession to the gravity of the situation, Nigel Bett, the secre-tary, said: There is some

Bett is no fool, certainly

and it is very unhelpful. "Of course, there is concern, and that stretched to our committee. It isn't easy. We have got our problems. But as concern among the members."

dismissing a crisis. "If I believed all the things I had read and heard about our team, I would be opening the batting and bowling and keeping wicket next summer," he said. There is so much speculation

things stand the situation is simply that there are a number of players with whom

we are still negotiating."These do not include Giddins, sacked as soon as his suspension for drug-taking was confirmed in August. Giddins is back at Lord's today, hoping to have his punishment reduced on appeal to the Cricket Council, but he has already pronounced on the latest upheaval at his former club. "Sussex are always looking for a scape-goat," he said. "They did it

Gifford as coach last year and now they have done it with Alan Wells." Giddins's memory is short. but his point is well-made. Sussex have always placed great store by muddling through with the right sort of people. They have traditionally been more fearful of scandal and revolution than of failure. and the club committee has a long-standing reputation for botching personal relations.

when they sacked Norman

They have had few greater players than Maurice Tate, few better servants than Ken Suttle. Both played for more than 20 years, but both were left resentful. It is said that

"were no longer required". "It was the way they did it," he later bemoaned. In 1970, Suttle was casually told of his dismissal when he encountered a committee man at the back of the pavilion.

 John Snow, a team-mate of Suttle, described his treatment. as "a disgraceful episode", but was not surprised by it. Snow was often in conflict with the Sussex hierarchy, especially over his attempts to make the players' lot a less subservient one. He recalls once being told by a committee member: "I hope the game doesn't change in my lifetime."

That attitude prevails today, which is one reason why Hove is such a dottily endearing place to visit. It is also a reason why Sussex are being cast adrift in the choppier, competitive seas of modern cricket. Their players feel unwanted and, with Haynes seeing out his batting career in South Africa and Peter Moores newly and unenviably promoted to the captaincy, there appears to be nobody capable of persuad

Take it stage by stage

Is All the World a Stage? Radio 4. 9.30pm.

This Kaleidoscope feature is not what the title led me to expect. I took it to mean: is the stage a microcosm of all human life? What Paul Alien explores are the advantages some structures (arena, or in-the-round) offer compared with others (proscenium arched). Theatre space is how Allen describes it. Sir Peter Hall believes theatre architects should be inspired by "plastic and human" considerations rather than geometric ideals. Allen himself thinks nostalgia for past traditions can lead to dead theatre. The director Stephen Daldry puts in a plea for more actors' theatres, fewer directors' theatres. Predictably, Mark Rylands, in charge of the reconstructed Globe, reports favourably on the actor-audience links it forges. This Kaleidoscope feature is not what the title led me to expect. I took

Composer of the Week. Radio 3, Noon.

Thanks to Penelope Thwanes's five Composer of the Week editions. Thanks to Penelope Thwaites's five Composer of the Week editions, we now know there is very much more to Percy Grainger than Country Gardens, Handel in the Strand, And Over the Hills and Far Away and, my own vocal favourite, Shallow Brown. His output was considerable — 40 works composed, arranged, set, or edited. Qualitatively, we hear too little of it to get his true measure. Composer of the Week makes modest amends for this neglect. Today's highlight is the orchestral piece with three pianos The Warriors, Music for an Imaginary Ballet, recorded by the Philharmonia under John Eliot Gardiner.

RADIO 1

6.30am Chris Evans 9.00 Simon May 6.30am Crins Evers sub Skrint Nazione 12.00 Liss l'Anson 2.00 Nicky Campbell 4.00 Mark Goodier 7.00 Essantial Selection 10.00 One in the Jungle 12.00 Radio 1 Rap Show 3.00am Armie Nightingale 6.00 Claire Sturgess

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RADIO 5 LIVE

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12.00 Composer of the Week: Percy Grainger. See Choica 1.00pm News: Bristol Lunchtime Concerts. A new season of Institute Concerts from St lunchtime concerts from St

George's, Brandon Hill, featuring the chamber music of Joseph Haydn 2.00 Busoni's Bach, Busoni's transcription of Bach's
Capricolo In B flat, BW/992
2.15 Music Restored, Marking the

50th anniversary of the London Bach Society. Motets by three members of the

by three members of the Bach family (r)

3.00 Milhing the Archive. Joan Sutherland sings Bach (Mein Glaubiges Herz): Liszi (Die Lorely): Weber (Euryanthe, excerpts); Handel (Alcina)

5.00 The Music Machine

5.15 in Tune. Includes Debussy (Fetes, Noctumes); Brahms (FAE Schala for violin and

directed by Usmo varska with Tasmin Little, violin. Busoni (Berceuse Elegiaque); Mozart (Sympthony No 41 in C, Jupiter) 8.15 Music critic Kenneth Loveland talks to opera singer Flobert Lloyd 8.35, Part 2 Brahms (Violin Concerts in D) Concerto in D)

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9.45 Hymn to the Sun. Excerpts from Aldrinaten, an opera by Philip Glass 10.00 Hear and Now. The London Sinfonietta, conductor John Adams, from the American

Independents series at the South Bank Centre in London Includes Michael Gordon (Yo Shakespeare); Javier Avarez (Quemar las Naves); John (Cuertar ias Naves); John Adams (Gnarly Buttons); Frank Zappa (The Perfect Stranger; Dupree's Peradise) John Adams (I Was Looking At the Ceiling and Then I Saw

12.00 Composers of the Week: Hildegard of Bingen and Part (r) 1.00am Through the Night

RADIO 4 6.30 Going Places 7.00 News 7.05 The Archers

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reveals listeners' comments on BBC Network Radio 10.00 Notes; At the Shoulder of History (FM) 10.00 An Act of Worship; (LW) 10.15 On This Day (LW) 10.30 Woman's Hour 11.30 The Natural History

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3.00 News; The Afternoon Shift
4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope.
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4.45 Short Story: On the Death of Ken Saro-Wiwa, by Ken Saro-Wiwa 5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping 5.55

6,00 Six O'Clock News

7.20 Pick of the Week

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8.05 Any Questions? Lady
Wilcox, Conservative life peer.
Sir Clive Thompson, group of
chief executive Rentokil
Group pic; Professor Fred
Helliday, professor of
international relations at the
LSE; and Jonathon Pornit,
writer and broadcaster tackle
the issues
8.50 Law In Action, with Marcel
Berlins, Including a special
report on the future of law
centres
9.15 Letter from America, by
Alister Cooke
9.30 Kaleidoscope Feature: is
All the World a Stage? See
Choice (i) 9.59 Weather
10.00 The World Torsight, with
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England embark on exercise to build tour bond

FROM SIMON WILDE IN VALE DO LOBO

Riddle first met them sev-

through their paces.

CYNICS might suggest this is the kind of overseas trip that England cricket teams should always undertake, one that involves playing no cricket at all. England are here for eight days and during that time there will be no matches, no nets and no talk about the game that keeps them all in a living. For a team beaten in seven of its past eight Test series away from home, this may come as welcome relief. but the purpose of the mission is far from one of escapism.

England are in the Algarve orimarily to confront their levels of fitness, and improve them, before leaving on their 14-week tour of Zimbabwe and New Zealand in a fortnight. To this aim they have brought

NEW Zealand stunned Sri Lanka, the World Cup win-

ners, with a 29-run victory in

the opening match of the

three-nation Champions Tro-

206 for eight. New Zealand skittled out Sri Lanka for 177.

Chris Cairns followed a brisk

71 off 91 balls with two wickets and a catch to earn the man-

of-the-match award. Chris

Harris led a brilliant display

in the field by taking the

wickets of Arjuna Ranatunga,

the Sri Lanka captain, and

Upul Chandana, and holding

turned up to watch the thrill-

ing finish to the first match of

Fewer than 1,000 fans

two vital catches.

Answers from page 42

HYGEIOLATRY

URTICANT

BEDIZEN

Defending a modest total of

phy in Sharjah yesterday.

where he gave them a number of tests. Yesterday morning they went through them again and, although the results were not made available, it was apparent that Nick Knight and Alec Stewart led the field. The management declared itself satisfied with the performances of all the players but then it is scarcely likely to say anything else on a trip that is also designed to help to "bond" the party.

- A lot of this bonding has been performed on the golf. course at Barrington's, where they are staying, which is so with them Dean Riddle, a devoted to the game that it is fitness instructor with Leeds - scarcely possible to go any-

the nine-day tournament.

which also features Pakistan.

There were twice as many

people in the stadium on

Wednesday to watch live tele-

vision coverage of India's win over South Africa in the Titan

Shivnarine Chanderpaul

hit an elegant 91 to set up a

last-gasp West Indies victory

over Western Australia in

In a tense finish to the 50-

over match, Ian Bishop hit the

winning boundary with just

one wicket and two balls to

spare as West Indies left it late

to overcome the home side's

Sharjah scoreboard, page 44

BERGEN from

DUBLIN from

BRUSSELS from

EDINBURGH from

FRANKFURT from

GLASGOW from

Cup final.

235 for six.

WORD-WATCHING

(c) Fanaticism about health. From the Greek hygein health and latrin madness. More useful today would be a word for mad

realotry about fitness — an increasingly prevalent disorder, to judge from the thousands of goggle-eyed whirling dervishes bounding doggedly about in aerobics classes with their fitness trainers, or jogging through what would otherwise be a peaceful autumnal Kensington Gardens.

(a) Stinging (like a nettle). From the Latin urticus a nettle. "Well, if you really need time to 'consider our relationship, as you so pompously obrase it, why not go for a walk down the old orchard? It'll do you the world of good, too. Nice and urticant at

(b) Everybody knows what a cornucopia is. But who knows what

(e) To trick out to decorate, ornament or dress up with more

ostentation than taste. When Lady Festering-Blister makes her

grand entrance to the charity ball, dressed up to the ninety-nines like an overage Christmas Tree fairy, you whisper to your companion: "I am told she's a professional bedizener."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

1 Rxg7! mates quickly, e.g. 1 ... Rxg7 2 Rxh6+ Kg8 3 Rh8 checkmate

the deuce a caduceus is? It is in fact a mythical object as familiar as the cornucopia. It is the serpent-entwined rod traditionally carried by Hermes and now regarded as a symbol of the

Perth yesterday.

Cairns and Harris put

paid to Sri Lanka

rughy league club, who is ruthlessly putting the players where without catching sight of fairway, driving range or putting green, day or floodlit night. The whole idea, though, is that the England players should arrive in Zimbabwe eral weeks ago at Headingley, "keen to pick up bat and ball".

Less immediately David Lloyd, the England coach, is anxious that Riddle's programme should be adopted by all 18 counties next year, so that it is possible for England to know what levels of fitness players under consideration for international selection have reached. Lloyd has even put in a request to the county physiotherapists, but whether it is met remains to be seen. Ithardly seems an unreasonable demand and would provide a

yaluable means comparison. Michael Atherton, the England captain, is in relaxed mood, clearly having benefited from his first long lay-off from cricket for a year. He has personally appreciated the training schedule, aware that his own form has often flagged towards the end of recent Test series. Equally, he knows that shuttle runs and the like are ultimately of limited use. They may help to improve stamina but it is still better to hit boundaries than to rum sharp singles, as Sri Lanka conclusively demon-

strated in beating Australia in the World Cup final in March. The long-term aim of the England winter tour is, of course, to create a team capable of regaining the Ashes next summer and Athenton observed Australia's recent troubles in India, where they failed

to win a match, with interest. "It just shows what a difference Shane Warne makes to their bowling attack," he said yesterday. "With him injured. they really struggled. They lost a Test and in the one-day matches no one was capable of bowling ten overs for 30 runs,

as he would have done. The upshot is that they have got off to a bad start under Geoff Marsh, their new coach, and, as Keith Fletcher found with England, once that happens it can be hard to stop

the momentum." With England potentially stronger in batting than at any time in recent years. Australia may be starting to wonder how on earth they will bowl them out twice. There, no one has written that for a long

□ England A faced the tough est task of their tour so far when they took on South Australia in a four-day match starting early today. Their preparations were interrupted by injuries to Jason Gailian (hand), Dean Headley (back) and Ashley Giles (also hand). although Giles and Headley were expected to be passed fit.

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Gatting, the coach, offers advice to Anthony McGrath yesterday as England A prepared for their four-day match against South Australia at the Adelaide Oval

Clarence Park put out to grass

By PAT GIBSON

SLOWLY but inexorably, the grounds which have contributed so much to the character and diversity of county cricket are falling by the wayside. During the summer, York-shire dispensed with Bradford, Harrogate, Sheffield and Middlesbrough and yesterday it was the turn of Clarence Park, Weston-super-Mare, to be buried under the weight of terms such as "rising running costs" and "expo-sure to financial risks".

Clarence Park was unique in that cricket was played there only once a year during Somerset's festival week. The rest of the time it was a public park, the cricket square fenced off to protect it from small boys, dogs and players on the two hockey pitches alongside it. The little green

and white pavilion was the only permanent structure.

Everything else - temporary stands, tents, seating, boundary boards and accommodation for the scorers and press — had to be set up amid the pines and oaks not far from the sea. The cosmopoli-tan crowd of West Country cricket lovers and holidaymakers gave it an atmosphere all of its own.

Sadly for English cricket, there have not been enough of them in recent years to make it all worthwhile. "The future of the festival has been debated each year for quite some time." Somerset said, in a statement "regrettably" announcing that there will be no festival next year. "Unfortunately the position was never reached whereby the festival

could be guaranteed to pay for itself. This was unsatisfactory from a membership, marketing and sponsorship point

"Despite a joint effort by the club and North Somerset District Council, a level of income could not be established for 1997 sufficient to offset the considerable expense.

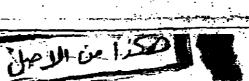
So ends a tradition which began in 1914 when Yorkshire won by 140 runs after Alonzo Drake, who also played foot-ball for Sheffield United, had taken all ten Somerset wickets for 35. The sand below the surface was often reckoned to help the bowlers, but the short boundaries also appealed to batsmen such as Ian Botham, who hit ten sixes in an innings of 134 in 1985.

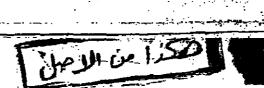
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A near thing, but it was fabulous after all

o tell me darlings, why all the secrecy? When the BBC gets all reluctant with the review tapes, it normally means one of two things. First, that the however, was that it was furny, programme is a real dog (ever wondered why you never see reviews of Food and Drink?) or, secondly, that it has a shock horror ending that we critics cannot be trusted to keep from the newshounds at the front of the paper. Imagine my surprise then, after being smuggled into Television Centre at dawn and sworn to 24 hours of secrecy, when Absolutely Fabulous (BBCI) turned out to be - or have - neither. True, part one on Wednesday night had been a disappointment, but I'd put that down to an early case of Christmas special-itis. You know, when all the characters do all sorts of things they wouldn't normally do and then sit around wondering why it's not funny any more. You don't?

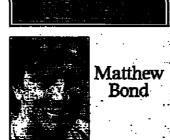
Edina ruining Saffy's big day hardly fits into that category. What was different about part two, very funny. Not quite vintage AbFab, but not far off. Eddie and Patsy can stagger off into television history with our blessings, although given the inconclusive nature of the ending I don't think anyone should be surprised if they

stagger back, yet again, one day. Perhaps the secrecy was to protect the glittering array of guest stars that had been assembled for this last hurrall. Or perhaps it was to spare us the disappointment that Lulu was not among them. Marcella Detroit giving the congregation Oh Happy Day was one thing, but a Luiu shout (impossible to capture in print) would have been quite another.

Who played God must have been a difficult decision, but in the end it was Marianne Faithfull who Joanna Lumley needed much sup-

As for the shock horror ending, shared Eddie's near-death experience ("what did you talk about?"
"shopping, mainly") while Christian Lacroix (the man himself. according to the credits) made the wedding dress. Unwittingly he also provided one of the best jokes of the night, when Eddie waved a gaudy gold crucifix at the vicar. Lacroix, darling."

> 7 ith Saffy (the wonderfully sincere Julia Sawalha)
> distracted by her male chauvinist intended and Mother (the wonderfully unpredictable June Whitfield) by visiting "snowbirds" (itinerant elderly Americans, whose lifestyles, jokes and T-shirts appeared to have been borrowed from a recent documentary), the best support came from Kathy Burke as the foul-mouthed Magda and Mo Gaffney as happy-clappy Bo.
> Not that Jennifer Saunders and



port. I particularly liked the insights we were given into Patsy's hitherto closely guarded private-life. Having her live above the Fulham Road branch of Oddbins (where else?) was inspired, but having her drink in Finch's was for anyone who knows that fine establishment — fabulous. And I

mean that absolutely.

Oliver Sacks would like Finch's

all. In the meantime, however, he is making do very nicely with The Mind Traveller (BBC2), which two weeks into its run looks as if it will become an essential part of Thursday night

Last night he confessed he was as interested in the person as he was in the disorder they suffered. from or, as he put it, "as drawn to the 'who' as I am to the 'what'". That pretty much describes how I react to the series, as drawn to Sacks and his gentle way with scientific observation as I am to the conditions he describes.

That said, last night's was a Lulu. Tourette's syndrome is a complex chemical disorder of the brain that causes sufferers to make sudden impulsive movements and noises. Despite the fact that a pharmaceutical "cure" is available, Shane, a Toronto-based art-- it's the sort of pub that a media- ist, took nothing, "preferring the

friendly neurologist could turn full force of his condition, with all into a television series in no time at its disadvantages, to the dampened down-state induced by drugs". After 50 enlightening, entertaining (for all his problems Shane proved a very personable fellow) and ediausting minutes. that cure could be.

> Dr Sacks doesn't fancy Finch's, his presence would no doubt be much appreciated at the Queen Vic in EastEnders, where Bavid has clearly moved into the terminal stages of Wicks's syndrome (a complex chemical disorder of the brain that causes sufficients to rush the pearest available female to the nearest available sofa-bed) and Joe is . .. well, barking. "He's got a lot on his mind at the moment, "said Lorraine, as her son rocked to and fro in front of the television. Satan, Lucifer, Beelzebub. Grant Mitchell ... the usual sort of thing.

gists or psychiatrists at Sun Hill, at least not while Inspector Monroe (Colin Tarrant) and The Bill (ITV) are around. Monroe, you see, has his own way with the mentally unwell - he shouts at them "Put down that knife," he bellowed at Alice Merchant, a woman capable of keeping an entire police station in work. "Sit down," he commanded, as she confessed to everything bar hitting a male nurse over the head with a heavy-duty steering

The Monroe approach, however, turned out to be the right one. For having invited us to believe that Alice's mental illness was caused by her brutish husband, it gradually became clear (insofar as anything happens gradually in The Bill) that she had crossed the divide and become truly mad, bad and deadly to know. NB. it was produced by my mother...bit alarming really.

BBC1

Well, you will in six weeks time.

6.00am BUSINESS BREAKFAST (89514) 7.00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS ((10885) 9.00 BREAKFAST NEWS EXTRA (Ceelax) (6472427)

9.20 STYLE CHALLENGE (s) (1672934) 9.45 KILROY (s) (8131408) 10.30 CAN'T COOK, WON'T COOK (S

11.00 NEWS (Ceefax), regional news and weather (2917021)

11.05 THE REALLY USEFUL SHOW (4535040)

12.05 ALIAS SMITH AND JONES

11.45 SMILLIE'S PEOPLE (8) (6352392) 12.00 NEWS (Ceetax), regional news and

Lighthearted western adventures (r) (2995866) 12.55 THE WEATHER SHOW (51242514) 1.00 NEWS (Ceefax) and weather (13972)

1.30 REGIONAL NEWS AND WEATHER 1.40 NEIGHBOURS (Ceetax) (s) (24448750) 2.00 CALL MY BLUFF Word game (s) (8175) 2.30 PETER SEABROOK'S GARDENING WEEK (s) (866) 3.00

INCOGNITO (s) (7682) 3.30 THE ANIMALS OF FARTHING WOOD (f) (Ceefax) (s) (5295330) 3.55 DEAR MR BARKER (s) (3885021) 4.10 THE REAL ADVENTURES OF JONNY QUEST (Ceefax) (s) (5942798) 4.35 GRANGE HILL (f) (Ceefax) (s) (1183595) 5.00 NEWSROUND (Ceefax) (6638205) 5.10

BLUE PETER (Ceefax) (s) (2750205) 5.35 NEIGHBOURS (r) (Ceefax) (s) (523040) 6.00 NEWS (Ceefax) AND WEATHER (595) **6.30 REGIONAL NEWS MAGAZINES (175)** 7.00 MUPPETS TONIGHT! The guest is Jason Alexander, from the cast of the

American comedy series Sainfeld. (Ceefax) (s) (283953) 7.25 TOP OF THE POPS (Ceefax) (s)

8.00 THIS IS YOUR LIFE Michael Aspel lays an ambush for another unsuspecting worthy (Ceefax) (s) (8311)

8.30 KEEPING UP APPEARANCES Hyacinth decides that she and Richard need a new car (r) (Ceefax) (s) (7446) 9.00 NEWS (Ceefax), regional news and

9.30 DANGERFIELD An old triand at Dangerfield's father lands in trouble with the police when his dog bites a local boy in an attempt to find the best way to help the man Dangerfield consults bereave-ment counsellor, Ltz Moss for advice (Ceefax) (s) (142525)

10.20 FILM: The Outlaw Josev Wales (1976) starring and directed by Clint Eastwood. A western drama about a farmer who turns vigilante when Union soldiers kill his wife and child and destroy his property (27765137) WALES: Satellite City 0.50 FILM: The Outlaw Josey Wale

1.00am-2.30 FILM: Dr Giogles 12.35am FTLM: Dr Giggles (1992) starring Larry Drake A horror movie about a deranged heart surgeon Directed by Manny Cotto (1227731) 2.00 WEATHER (7396002)

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BBC2

6.00mm OPEN UNIVERSITY: THE NORTH SEA: MANAGING, THE COMMON POOL (2718601) 6.25 THE BLACK TRIANGLE (2704408) 6.50 RAISING ARMS AGAINST AIR POLLUTION (9431576) 7.15 BREAKFAST NEWS (6563866) 7.30 ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS (4231243) 7.55 SMART (7769137) 8.20 THE GREEDYSAURUS GANG (8186953) 8.25 SPIDER

(5064663) **8.35 THE RECORD** (6072156) 9.00 FRENCH EXPERIENCE (6489717) 9.15 THE ECONOMICS COLLECTION (697953) 9.45 WATCH (6332412) 10.00 PLAYDAYS (71408) (0302412) 10.00 PLATIATS (1400) 10.30 WHAT? WHERE? WHEN? WHY? (3002798) 10.45 REVISTA (3090953) 11.00 LOOK AND READ (5526392) 11.20 SHORT CIRCUIT (7296156) 11.40 ENGLISH TIME (6375243) 12.00 ENGLISH FILE (78224) 12.30pm WORKING LUNCH (83345) 1.00 SCENE: ALISON (11514) 1.30 TECHNOLOGY STARTERS (14559972)

1.45 WORDS AND PICTURES (14554427) 2.00 THE GREEDY-SAURUS GANG (46857040) 2.05 **SPIDER (46856311)**

2.10 SPORT ON FRIDAY (562243) 3.55 NEWS and weather (5011427) 4.00 TODAY'S THE DAY (s) (208) 4.30 READY, STEADY, COOK (s) (972) 5.00 ESTHER (s) (7069) 5.30 GOING, GOING, GONE (s) (224)

6.00 SLIDERS (s) (422359) 6.40 ELECTRIC CIRCUS (s) (586392) 6.55 ROCKY STAR (b/w) (303309) 7.00 HERAG THE HERRING GULL (r) (Ceefax) (261595)

Handlers' trophy from Combennere in Shropshire (Ceefax) (s) (276088) 8.30 THE ENGLISH COUNTRY GARDEN Folly Farm in Berkshire is a fine example of the Edwin Lutyens and Gertrude Jakyll

7.45 ONE MAN AND HIS DOG The Young



Belinda Carlisie quests (9pm)

SHOOTING STARS Celebrity quiz show (s) (Ceetax) (6798) 9.30 ALL RISE FOR JULIAN CLARY Actress Nerys Hughes is in the dock for being too nice and The Sun newspapel subjected to a ruthless once-over (Ceelax) (s) (26359)

10.00 HAVE I GOT NEWS FOR YOU Joining

the regulars this week are Vince Hanna and Tony Hawks (s) (7953) 10.30 NEWSNIGHT (Ceelax) (604069) 11.15 THE A FORCE The best of black

tainment (s) (52850021) 1.20-2.50 FILM: Samba Traore (1992) With Bakary Sangare. After participating in a robbery, Samba Traroe hides out in his illage, but it is only a matter of time before the truth is uncovered. Directed by ldrissa. Ouedraogo. In the African language Bambara with English subtitles (s) (5948460)

CHOICE

ITV, 8_30pm If British sit-coms are your choice of chorde then this second series of the spin-off from Second Thoughts is for you. The excellent Lynda Bellingham reprises her role as the newly divorced Faith, whose attempts to make the most of her sexual freedom are continually being sabotaged by her dreadlocked daughter, Hannah (Iulia Sawalha). The way both women tackle the thorny problems of their sex lives and their own relationship is the hook on which the slickly written jokes are hung. Fast pacing in both punchlines and action make for a wellmade sit-com with a better-than-average humour quotient. In the first episode Faith returns from her first night of passion with fellow teacher Paul (Jeff Rawle) and is less than thrilled with the lack of Richter-scale earth movements. Meanwhile, Hannah is still trying to rid herself of the lovelorn Jools, played by Simon Pegg.

Shooting Stars BBC2, 9.00pm

Vic Reeves and Bob Mortimer are a canny pair. They know how to make great popular culture by mercilessly sending it up and yet still retaining a deep affection for it. Their sense of humour is an acquired taste being in three parts surreal to one part slapstick, but it is enough to have garnered them a devoted following. Their regular team captains on this piece of daffiness are willing stooges, DJ Mark Lamarr and Ulrika Jonsson. Equally, the edectic guests are not required to do much other than contribute their names and much other than continuous their names and reputations and answer questions that have no basis in reality whatsoever. Falling into the regular calegories, the guests tunight are singer Belinda Carlisle (tothe), Reg Presley of the Troggs and crop circles expert (a bit pastit character). Tim Brooke Taylor tuning and Dennis Pennis (young and trendy).

Staving Alive TTV, 9.00pm

Staying awake probably would be a better title for it. The second part of this drama about five student nurses would have been better suited as an episode of an Australian soap. Certainly there is not enough to sustain the interest over an hour but perhaps a bit of judicious cutting would have made a halfway decent programme. The characters are straight out of central casting — the raunchy one, the virginal one, the token male, the battered wife and the psycho. The storyline follows the personal lives of these five as they try to cope with living in a cockroach-infested nurses' hostel and the rigours of being near the bottom of the NHS pecking order. In this episode, Mick is getting over the suicide attempt but she is obviously still one very sick young lady.

Channel 4, 10.00pm

No apologies for yet again featuring the jewel in Channel 4's comedy crown as Frasier just keeps on getting better and better. The sophisticated standard of comedy is so high to begin with, it is nigh on impossible to imagine how the scriptwriters can top each effort. This week, Seattle's favourite radio agony uncle is required to confront his own demons. In other words, a case of psychiatrist, shrink thyself. He takes possession of an antique chess set and, in his glowing self-congratulation, challenges his blue-collar dad to a friendly game. Unfortunately for Frasier's ego, Martin turns out to be a natural and Frasier is driven to the point of manic obsession in his attempts to beat him. Camp, clever, brilliantly written and played by everybody(including the dog). Frances Lass

6.00em GMTV (1061601) 9.25 SUPERMARKET SWEEP (Teletext) (8)

(1680953) 9.55 REGIONAL NEWS (2499750) 10.00 THE TIME ... THE PLACE (68934) 10.30 THIS MORNING (24408156) 12.20pm REGIONAL NEWS (4274205)

12.30 NEWS and weather (Teletext) (4340175) 12.55 MURDER, SHE WROTE (s) (4497868) 2.90 HOME AND AWAY (Telebr (57473576) 2.25 CROSS WITS (Teletext) (s) (57485311) 2.50 YAN CAN COOK — THE BEST OF CHINA

(6296601) 3.20 NEWS (Teletext) (4308069) 3.25 REGIONAL NEWS (4390040)

3.30 JAYS WORLD (380330) 3.40 THE ADVENTURES OF DAWDLE (s) (3897866) 3.55 OSCAR AND FRIENDS (5008953) 4.00 SNUG AND COZI (8495175) 4.15 HURRICANES (5936137) 4.40 FUN HOUSE (Teletext)

5.10 A COUNTRY PRACTICE (8) (7685885) 5.40 NEWS (Teletext) and weather (996773). 6.00 HOME AND AWAY (r) (Teletext) (s)

6.25 HTV NEWS (Teletext) (787798) 7.00 CATCHPHRASE Hosted by Roy Walker (Teletext) (s) (4359)

7,30 CORONATION STREET Flona has an admirer at the nightclub, while Raquel waits to hear if she has got the job (Teletext) (427)



Carver uncovers a secret (8pm)

8.00 THE BILL Carver and Rawton discove the unlikely secret of a decorator when an irregularity is spotted on an insurance claim (Teletext) (1309)

FAITH IN THE FUTURE New series of the comedy about the misadventures of a middle-aged woman. With Lynda Bellingham and Julia Sawaiha (Teletext) (s) (2514)

STAYING ALIVE (2/6) Drama series following the lives and loves of a group of student nurses (Teletext) (s) (5953) 10.00 NEWS and weather (Teletext) (73779)

10.30 HTV WEST NEWS (805311) 10.40 LATE AND LIVE (1570021) 12.10 ALFRED HITCHCOCK PRESENTS (7049170)12.45am ED'S NIGHT PARTY (45165)

1.15 FUNNY BUSINESS (95888) 1.45 THE GOOD SEX GUIDE., LATE 2.45 BUSHELL ON THE BOX (84151)

3.15 WAR AND REMEMBRANCE (147441) 5.00 BEST OF BRITISH MOTORSPORT (75373) 5.30 ITN MORNING NEWS (60354)

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2.00 THE GOOD SEX GUIDE... LATE 3,00 CYBER.CAFE (67499422)

3.25 HELTER SKELTER (7296847) 4:15 JOBFINDER (5369441)

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Starts: 6.30am THE WONDERFUL WIZARD OF OZ (75224) 7,00 THE BIG BREAKFAST (70345) 9.00 HERE'S ONE I MADE EARLIEF (7/345) 8.00 HERE'S ONE | MADE EARLEH (83155) 9.30 YSGOLION (448427) 12.00 TRAVELOG TREKS (83392) 12.30pm BACKDATE (91883) 1.00 SLOT METHRIN (20822) 1.30 BATTLE OF MIDWAY (29118750) 1.55 Film: CAPTAIN OF THE CLOUDS (83278885) 4.00 FIFTEEN-TO-ONE (156) 4.30 DOSH (840) 5.00 5 PUMP (2137) 5.30 COUNTDOWN: THE SEARCH FOR THE SUPREME CHAMPION (392) 6.00 NEWYDDION (702243) 6.05 HENO (166392) 6.35 JACPOT (406935) 7.00 POBOL Y CWM (276663) 7.25 TESTAMENT Y BEIBL WED! (27603) ANIMEDDIO (336868) 8.00 CEFN GWLAD (1021) 8.30 NEWYDDION (6476) 9.00 GLAN HAFREN (3595) 10.00 BROCKSIDE (64021) 10.30 RORY BREWNER - WHO ELSE (608865) 11.10 TFI FRIDAY (239069) 12.15am Film: THE LAIR OF THE WHITE WORM (226335) 1.55 Film: THE REPTILE (505335) 3.35 Film: EBIRAH, HORROR OF THE DEEP

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6.00 TFI FREDAY Tonight's guests include Harry Enfield (s) (33822) 7.00 CHANNEL 4 NEWS (Teletext) (805953)

7.55 THE SLOT (983601) 8.00 GARDEN DOCTORS Last in the series. Dan Pearson and Steve Bradley return to Sarah Morgan and Oliver Ashby's Buckingharoshire garden to see how their project to reclaim their stone cottage from the surrounding wilderness progressing (Teletext) (s) (1021)

8.30 BROOKSIDE Will Jules's despair ever end? (Teletext) (s) (6476)

9.00 CAROLINE IN THE CITY A balloon flown in Caroline's honour in the Thanksgiving Parade fills her with pride, until it breaks loose and causes havoc (Teletext) (s) (1866)



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(505335) 3.35 FILM: Ebirah, Horror of the Deep (1986) Godziła and Mothra save the world from a giant crab. Directed by Jun Fukuda (4446809) Ends 5.05

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Scotland face replay of Estonia farce

ESTONIA faced grave charges in Zurich yesterday, but it was Scotland who were punished as Fifa. football's world governing body, investi-gated the aborted World Cup qualifying match between the nations in Tallinn on October 9.

The game did not take place after the Estonian side failed to turn up. The kick-off, to their dissatisfaction, had been brought forward by four hours when Fifa stated, on the morning of the game, that temporary floodlighting at the Kadriorg Stadium was inade-

The World Cup organising committee decided yesterday that the tie is to be replayed. It had initially been expected that Scotland would simply be awarded a 3-0 victory, a verdict stipulated in Fifa regulations when one team does not appear. There were even suggestions that Estonia might be expelled from the

In the event, it was Scotland who suffered. They have been informed that Gary McAllister, their captain, is to be suspended for the World Cup tie with Sweden at Ibrox on Sunday, a ban that was supposed to have been served against Estonia, but it is now being applied to the next

fixture instead. It can be argued that, in the extraordinary circumstances. would be fairer to link the supension to the restaged match with Estonia, which must be played by March 16.

Kicking and Screaming .. 44 Collymore on carpet 44 Busst blow.

1997. While the Scottish Football Association (SFA) publicly evinced a law-abiding acceptance of Fifa's verdict, there is. in private, a great deal of discontent.

Its focus is Lennart Johansson, who chaired the organising committee meeting in Zurich. He is a Swede. The SFA will seek to discover whether he participated in discussions on a topic of great

concern to his own nation. Chelsea complete £5m deal to import Zola

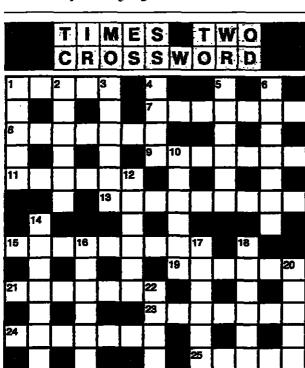
A £5 million deal to allow Gianfranco Zola, the Italy international, to join Gianluca Vialli and Roberto Di Matteo at Chelsea was agreed yesterday, sources at

Zola. 30, the former Napoli deal that will enable him to earn about £25,000 a week as the fourth leading foreign signing to move to Stamford Bridge in a matter of months. Ruud Gullit, the Chelsea manager, also signed Franck Leboeuf, the French international defender, in a summer of busy transfer dealing.

The Cheisea managing director. Colin Hutchinson, flew to Italy to complete the deal that will make Zola the club'smost expensive signing. beating the £4.9 million paid to Lazio for Di Matteo. Parma said yesterday that the two clubs would play two matches as part of the transfer

in their defeat by Bosnia in forward, is understood to Sarajevo on Wednesday, has ances for Parma, whom he helped to secure the Uefa Cup after joining them in 1993 from Napoli.

Although under contract with the Serie A team until mid-1998, Zola has been unhappy since being assigned to a midfield role by Carlo Ancelotti. Parma's new coach. His form has dipped since having to play behind Enrico Chiesa and Hernan Crespo, the two strikers chosen by



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DOWN 2 Light-hearted play (6) 3 The noblest Roman of them all (J Caesar) (6)

4 Final part (of piece of music) 5 Roughly: vaguely present

6 Vacuous, complacent remark (7) 10 Help (one) remember (6)

12 Caress; a blow (6) Pedlar: Keats read his Homer (7) 16 Body orbiting sun (6) 17 Ernest -- Cynara poet (6)

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The solution to 933 will be published Wednesday. November 13

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After the farce in Tallinn last month, he had told a television interviewer that Estonia's game with Scotland should be replayed. So public a comment, before

the matter had been debated, does, at best, look premature. "Everyone knows that football is a game of opinions, but some of us do not voice them because of the positions we hold," Jim Farry, the SFA chief executive, said in a tart rebuke of Johansson, who is president of Uefa, the European governing body, as well as a vice-president of Fifa.

"If the committee was chaired by one of our rivals in the group, then the Fifa protomay need to be re-examined," Farry also remarked. Sweden had been troubled by the idea that Scotland might be given that notional 3-0 victory, and three points, without earning them. Estonia, though, have met with ex-

traordinary sympathy. Fifa were persuaded that the late alteration of the kick-off time created an extenuating circumstance. "We stated clearly our reasons for not arriving for the rearranged game, saying we were concerned about security and that our players were 80 kilometres away from the ground," explained Ainar Leppanen, gen-eral secretary of the Estonia Football Association, who considered yesterday's decision "a

fair judgment." Farry is sceptical of the Estonian claims. "Within ten minutes of hearing that the kick-off had been changed," he said, "we had organised six or stadium from various points of the compass. It seems that the Estonian FA couldn't find a single bus to carry their team. We could have loaned them one of ours. We had the will to

comply with Fifa's ruling." The Estonians could face some form of sanction at a meeting of Fifa's disciplinary committee on November 23, but the ruling body seems tacitly to have accepted that its own belated alteration to the kick-off time must take much of the blame for producing the

Restaging the fixture will create problems. Farry pointed out that Fifa has recently listed permanent floodlight installations among the criteria for stadiums used in World Cup ties. Wintry weather, too, may make a return to Tallinn impossible and the Estonians have already suggested that the game might go ahead in

Finland or even Cyprus. Fifa will meet Scotland's considerable expenses. These would presumably include even such items as the £300 of appearance money paid to each player selected for the match. Farry calculates that taking around 100 people, including players, officials and journalists, to Estonia last month cost £70,000.

Wright fits the bill for Hoddle

THE England team, preparing for the hundredth World Cup game in their country's history, are seeing the other side of life. In Tbilisi, the capital of Georgia, which is experienced periodic power cuts and an inability to receive phone calls from home. They are lucky. If they took

in what they were looking at

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through the windows of their bus to training yesterday, they will have gleaned that this is a city with 200,000 street children and only one orphanage accommodating 100. Yet the stadium where they went through their routines yesterday represents resurrection. After 15 years of neglect and dereliction, the Lokomotivi club is being purchased and put back into service by Georgi Kinkladze, the Georgia international. It is a bare and forlorn arena in a once beautiful mountain city: it is costing one quarter of each monthly pay packet of the £20,000 per month Kinkladze

earns from Manchester City. For at least three of the England players, the World Cup qualifying match, at the Boris Paichadze stadium, on Saturday might also represent a major window in their lives. Andy Hinchcliffe, the Everton defender, is gradually convincing Glenn Hoddle, the England coach, that, at 28, he provides the right balance of industry, reliability and a left foot that England, under Terry Venables, lacked.

Ian Wright, the Arsenal striker, continues to excite Hoddle with his fire, his touch and his enthusiasm and is closer than ever to reclaiming an England shirt at 33. And Matthew Le Tissier, of Southampton, begins to look, in England company, like the player of flair and confidence

wishes to trust. Hoddle will not name a side until shortly before kick-off, yet the signals that were sent out at the Lokomotivi stadium are cruel indeed if they do not

betoken places for this trio. "The boy is on fire, he's as good as anything in the Pre-miership," Hoddle intones on a daily basis about Wright. "I would have liked to have seen him when he was 23-24. He's as sharp as a razor, he's good to have around, he's kept his body extremely fit, and he has great awareness of where to run off the ball, plus a killer instinct." Of Hinchcliffe, Hoddle insisted: "He's given us a nice balance. I think



Andy's grown and, since he's got into the England side, his club form has been excellent." Hinchcliffe can scarcely

Hoddle remains tight-lipped about his team selection for England's match against Georgia as he faces the press yesterday

believe the transformation in his life. A Manchester schoolboy with ten O levels, he lost his place and his way after transferring from Manchester City to Everton. His problem manager who sold him, followed him to Goodison Park.

He was dropped, suffered three cartilage injuries and fell out of favour with Kendall. He must have wondered whether he would be better returning to lacrosse, at which he represented Lancashire, or cricket where, as a teenager, he used to bowl in the nets to Michael Atherton. When Joe Royle took over as manager at Everton, he suggested Hinchcliffe model his game on Christian Ziege, the Germany

international. As the left wing back in England's adopted style of 3-5-2. Hinchcliffe believes he has to be one of the fittest players on the pitch and adaptable, too, especially when the opponents switch to 4-12, as Georgia probably will. But Hinchcliffe is settled, at least until Graeme Le Saux recovers form to make a challenge. One cannot say the same of two of Venables's favourites: Gascoigne, train-ing industriously but still without expression or joy, may not be risked here after all, and Sheringham is fretting on

the fringes. Sheringham suggested yesterday that he always knew Venables liked him "as a bloke to have around, and senses

figure dropped to seven, five of which were for marijuana

and one for cocaine (Roger

Stanislaus, of Leyton Orient).

highly-publicised cases in-volving two Arsenal and Eng-

land players. Paul Merson.

the striker, has admitted tak-

ing cocaine and being an

alcoholic, and Tony Adams

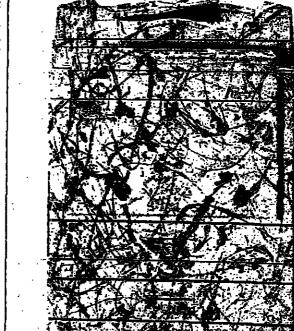
has admitted that the strain of

the break-up of his marriage

had caused him to become an

Hodson said: "We believe

There have also been the



that he has to try to win

Hoddle over. "You would ex-

pect that!" Hoddle responded.

[at Tottenham Hotspur]. Let's

face it, it was taken out of his

[Sheringham's] hands and

mine when Teddy was injured

And the prospects of Le

without real opportunity under the Venables regime?

"A lot of eyebrows were raised

when I brought him in," Hoddle said. "I like to think

one of the reasons why he [Le

Tissier has turned his form

around at Southampton is the

big boost to his confidence

now that England want him.

He has wonderful skill, he has

his form back [six goals in six games] and the area where he's going to hurt opposing

sides is in and around the

before the first game."

Terry was his club manager

Phil the Fag ruled out of character

The Football Association John Goodbody says cartoons will push has picked a new team to fight drug-taking. smoking and excessive drinking among talented young players. The team sheet in-cludes Phil the Fag. Paul the there and drugs are right at the centre of operations Pillpopper, Chris the Can and

Elite boy footballers, aged between nine and 12, are being asked whether they would include these cartoon characters in their team or instead pick other comic figures such as Tony the Trier. Dave the Dribbler and Harry the Header. Youngsters are asked: "If you were the coach who would you choose for your team? Why? Who wouldn't you choose? Why not? Name and draw four other players you would like to have, or not have, on your

Joe the Joint

The FA has also addressed youngsters, aged 13-16, with an anti-drugs leaflet stating: "Skin Up [roll a joint and You're Off". It warns:"We don't want to make you paranoid (honestly!) but it can be a nasty and brutal world out home the FA's healthy living message

All 147 centres of excellence in the country have received the new booklets as part of the FA's £1 million campaign against excessive drinking and taking of drugs, particularly cocaine and cannabis.

More than 10,000 talented youngsters are being given the leaflets and being shown an anti-drugs video. They are also attending talks from their club doctors or from Alan

Hodson, who oversees the FA's programme, originally launched in April 1995. The FA became concerned that players, particularly the younger ones, could indulge in excessive drinking or become targeted by pushers even before the scandals of the last

In 1994-95, there were 12 positive tests in English football, of which eight were for marijuana and one for an amphetamine. Last season the



Drugs and smoking are out but dribbling is a fine skill

ents have the most influence on young footballers and we have been getting their full backing for our initiative. The FA is unique in world football in having such a programme such as this."

these pamphlets will get the right response from young sters. The message for young footballers is that there are social problems that we do not want in this game. Through our programme we are also advocating sensible, moderate drinking, a good diet and

healthy living.
"Usually, coaches and par-

penalty area." Words, but not

International football these days concerns the inner game of coaches trying to lay false trails for one another. Alexander Chivadze, one of the finest liberos in world football, has emerged from Dynamo Tbilisi to pull the strings of his though perhaps not potent,

new generation. Hoddle and Chivadze performed with finesse but both know that pragmatism is a prerequisite to survival. On Wednesday, Italy lost 2-1 to Bosnia; it-looks like arrivederci Arrigo Sacchi, the Italy coach and the highest paid in world football. intriguing, isn't it?" Hoddle observed. "It shows there really isn't an easy game anywhere.

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